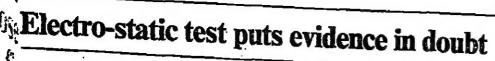
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Birmingham Six cases go to second appeal

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT, AND ROBIN OAKLEY

convicted of killing 21 people in the 1974 Birmingham pub bombings were referred back to the Court of Appeal for a second time yesterday.

cision to order a new hearing only two years after a long and costly appeal confirmed the convictions is likely to bring renewed demands for reform of the criminal appeals procedure, whatever the outcome, especially in the wake of the freeing of the Guildford Four last

David Waddington said his decision stemmed from new evidence unearthed by an independent examination of aspects of the orginal police investigation into the 1974 bombings, the worst IRA strike on the British mainland.

He had not been expected to make an announcement until the autumn after Devon and Cornwall police had com-pleted their enquiry, but information sent to him by the team over the weekend conviced him that the cases needed to be reviewed again

The Home Office said that tests carried out on a police record of an interview with Richard McIlvenny, one of the six, suggested that not all the notes had been taken at the same time. It was still unclearlast night whether other notes made by detectives' respon-sible for interrogating the Birmingham Six had been subjected to the same "electrostatic" screening, a relatively

INSIDE ... Gold medals

for Britian

Kriss Akabusi broke the oldest British track record to win the 400 metres burdles at the European Championships in Split yesterday. Akabusi's time of 47.92sec removed from the record books the mark of 48.12sec set by David Hemery in Mexico City in the 1968 Olympic Games.

Tom McKean, from Scotland, won the men's 800 metres in the fast time of I min 44.76sec. David Sharpe, from England, finished second to complete a British double. McKean's victory brought Britain their fourth gold of championships Page 38

Spies immune

East German spies who worked in the West are to be guaranteed freedom from prosecution after unification, it was said yesterday ... Page 9

Pay awards row Pay rises of 27 per cent to BBC governors, members of the Independent Broadcasting Authority and to members of the shadow Independent Tele-vision Commission and the shadow Radio Authority have brought angry attacks on the

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Cash siphoned Millions of pounds invested in the Lloyd's of London insurance market was siphoned off to pay for luxury yachts, nomes and racehorses, accordng to three reports drawn up by Department of Trade and Pages 21,23

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THE cases of the six men new process. Mr Waddington sation with his daughter, convicted of killing 21 told BBC Radio Four's World Maggie. She said later. "He at One programme: "It might be thought to cast doubt on the safety of the convictions and therefore the case has to

The home secretary's design to order a new police deliberately altered accounts of interviews to



smooth over contradictions in their statements and to cover up the way detectives had extracted confessions from

Mr Waddington declined to predict when the new appeal would be heard. The Crown Prosecution Service, however, said that a small team of Appeal."

"highly. experienced" barristers had been established to constable, John Evans, said: review all the evidence emanating from the Devon and Cornwall enquiry, laun-ched in March at the request of West Midlands police, who prosecuted the six. A dossier of allegations submitted by lawyers representing the six had earlier been passed to

Home Office. Lawyers say the men may have to wait from six months to a year before the appeal goes to court. Their best hope of an early release is if Allan Green, the director of public prosecutions, decides - as in the Guildford Four case - the convictions can no longer be

The referral delighted families and friends of the six and prompted a prediction from Chris Mullin, the Labour MP for Sunderland South who has tirelessly campaigned for the men's exoneration, that they would be released. "I think this great scandal is about to come to an end, I expect the families share my sense of cautious optimism."

McIlkenny was called to the governor's office at Gartree prison, Leicestershire, with Patrick Hill and Billy Power to be told of the home secretary's decision. Afterwards, McIlkenny was allowed a threeminute telephone conver-

Maggie. She said later: "He said they were all overjoyed and very proud of us".

When a radio reporter broke the news to McIlkenny's wife, Kate, she said: "I cannot believe it. Let us just hope that this time the truth comes out. We do not want any more farce. I never doubted that the truth would come out."

The families' joy was also shared by Cardinal Basil Hume, the Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, who said he was very pleased. In the Irish Republic, where the case has become a stumbling block in diplomatic relations between the two countries, politicians called for the immediate release of the six.

Explaining his decision to refer the cases against all six men, the home secretary said it was very difficult to "disentangle" the significance of one interview with a defen-dant from the whole case. The account in question also re-ferred at one point to Power.

"It is very difficult when doubt is cast on the contemporaneous nature and therefore perhaps the authenticity of perhaps one account to say that has a bearing on the conviction of one defendent and not on the conviction of at least one other. I thought the fair thing to do was to refer the whole thing back to the Court

"Recently certain new information has come to light as a result of this investigation. which is being examined rig-orously. I felt it was necessary to bring the new information to the attention of the home secretary at the earliest posconstable of the West Midlands for that purpose." The main report will be completed

shortly. The six men convicted in 1975 were McIlkenny, Power, Hill, Hugh Callaghan, John Walker and Gerard Hunter. They were refused leave to appeal in March 1976. A few months later, 14 prison offi-cers on trial for assaulting the six were acquitted after a five-

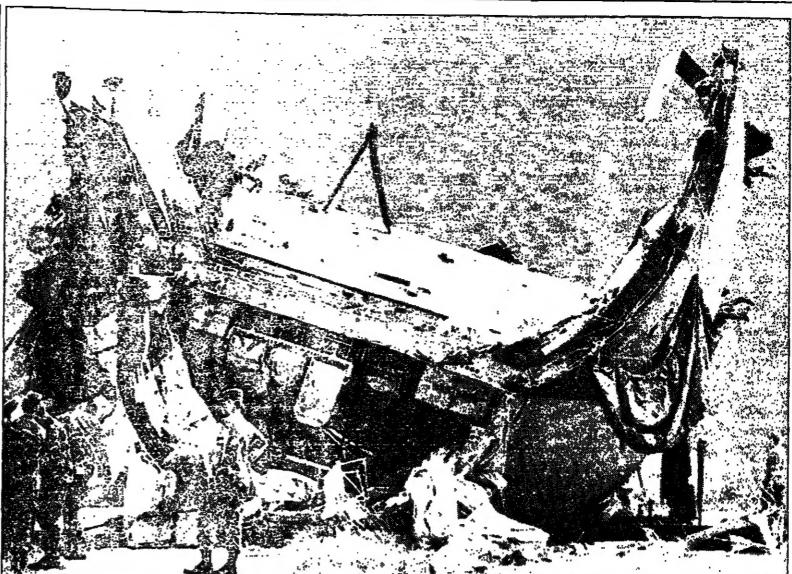
Last spring, Granada Tele-vision showed a drama-docu-mentary, Who Bombed Birmingham?, which named four of the five alleged "real" bombers. It was condemned by Mrs Thatcher as "trial by television". Last month the company screened an interview with an unidentified man who confessed to planting the bombs and said the six had nothing to do with the

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By RODNEY LORD, ECONOMICS EDITOR

THE National Institute of the rise in oil prices and search, in one of the first detailed forecasts on the Brit-

next year. The NIESR blames



West prepares for the Esso puts up petrol exodus from Baghdad

By CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN BAGHDAD AND

BRITISH airliners were standing by last night to collect women and children held in Iraq and Kuwait, but officials Baghdad still had no instructions on their release and said travel arrangements could take days to work out.

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, welcomed President Saddam Hussein's reported instruction that they be addowed to go, but accused the Iraqi leader of playing a cat and mouse" game to try to deflect attention from his occupation of Kuwait.

Margaret Thatcher, on a repeated her claim that President Saddam was "hiding behind the skirts of women and said that men should also be allowed to leave. Irag's ambassador to Washington said last night that men would be free to go if the United States promised not to attack

British Airways and Richard Branson's Virgin Atlantic had aircraft ready to fly to Baghdad to bring hostages home, and Mr Branson said he hoped to have the first women and children out today. But Western ambas-sadors who visited the Iraqi foreign ministry said that while they had no doubt that the release would take place as can guarantee us that they are pledged, arrangements for the not going to strike Iraq." He different categories of for-

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eigner could take time to work could go "as of today", but out. One British woman said added: "It is not possible she had been told that only administratively to have evwomen with children could leave immediately.
About 1,500 British women

and children could be eligible to leave, and they are divided into three categories: those

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held at strategic installations or in heavily-gaurded hotels near them; residents free to move about but banned until now from leaving, and temporary visitors who were in the country when the restrictions were imposed.

Those being held in Kuwait were expected to be taken to Baghdad before being allowed home. Among the plans under consideration yesterday were an airlift to Jordan or a bus convoy over land to the Jordanian border. Diplomats from neutral Finland, Sweden and Switzerland said they would meet Iraqi officials to discuss a joint evacuation,

Mohamed al-Mashat, the Iraqi ambassador to Wash- sufficient. ington, told the State Department yesterday: "Even men can leave if the United States said women and children

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erybody go on the same day."

The Iraqi ambassador to London, Azmi al-Salihi, was called to the Foreign Office yesterday morning and asked to convey a request that Baghdad and Kuwait airports be opened and that the military blockade of the embassy in Kuwait be lifted so that British diplomats could help to organise the hostages' departure. Britain was seeking a "cupper-bottomed" assur-ance that any planes attempt-ing an airlift would not be

Mr Hurd described the offer to allow the women and children home as a "small but welcome step away from illegality and inhumanity", but he expressed revulsion over President Saddam's tactics. "It is a cat and mouse game now a little mercy, now some more ruthlessness," he said. If the release of the women and children went ahead, it should not be thought that Iraq had gone some way towards meeting the conditions for dropping the trade embargo. Only its full acceptance of United Nations resolutions calling for

its withdrawal would be Mrs Thatcher, echoed Mr Hurd's description of a "cat and mouse" game. She accused President Saddam of harsh, callous and ruthless Continued on page 20, col 6

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The Gulf

as oil price falls

By KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

ESSO last night moved mined to hold fire, isolating against the trend of falling prices for crude oil by unexpectedly putting another 8.2p on the cost of a gallon of

The move provoked an outery from politicians, motoring organisations and industry demanding to know how Esso could order price increases when oil supplies looked more secure than at any time since the start of the Gulf conflict.

last week's peak of \$32.35. That made Esso's decision to but the price of a gallon of four-star up to 225.9p (49.7p a litre) all the more baffling for gone up by 23p a gallon this

sensitive time with the Office row writes). of Fair Trading asking the oil companies to explain recent price increases. The OFT said ing Esso's latest price move.

competitors, said on Tuesday on further price rises. Other companies also seem deter- few days.

Frank Dobson, the shadow

energy secretary, pointed out that when Esso last raised petrol at its 2,500 filling charges at the pumps, the spot price in Rotterdam was nearly \$27 a barrel, but was now down to about \$25. "The new Esso prices make a nonsense of the excuses the oil companies have given up to now for their price increases," he

Esso defended its decision Prices of crude continued by saying that it had held on as their slide yesterday and are now about \$6 a barrel below on a price increase which had by saying that it had held on as been necessary because of the volatile market.

The price of products, such as petrol, jet fuel and kerosene, has been motorists. Pump prices have rising faster than crude oil because of a sharp increase in demand and a reduction in It also comes at a politically refining capacity (Martin Bar-

Steve Turner, an oil analyst with Smith New Court, said other petrol companies may last night it would be examin- resist immediate increases "in the interest of goodwill and Shell, one of Esso's main responding to political pres-impetitors, said on Tuesday sure". But if current spot that it was able to hold back market prices persisted they would have to follow Esso in a

AS ENGLAND'S RUGBY CAPTAIN HE'S USED TO GETTING KICKED IN THE ramen deterior minister Tom King announces that a second British destroyer Is to join the Armilla patrol and says that three TEETH. ESPECIALLY BY THE PRESS.



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Inflation forecast threat to 1991 election plan

attacks.

Economic and Social Re-higher-than-expected level of search, in one of the first inflation before August. ish economy since the Gulf Treasury's budget projections tensions, expects inflation to of 7% per cent at the end of be still running at nearly 7 per 1990 and 5 per cent by the cent by the end of next year. If middle of next look out of the forecast is borne out, it date. The NIESR is expecting could put the government's minimal improvement in the

101/2 per cent and to fall slowly

The forecasts make the

could put the government's election strategy in danger. The NIESR expects inflation to peak in the fourth tion to peak in the fourth of £17 billion against a forecast £18 billion for this year. Red Sea JAPAN Medical personnel and non-military supplies offered to the Gulf states and YEMEN SUDAN Turkey and Egypt to help with refugee Inflation threat, Page 21

Woman wins historic passive smoking ruling

By JULL SHERMAN

SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

A CIVIL servant suffering from asthma has won an historic ruling that illness caused by passive smoking can be classified as an industrial accident. Joan Clay, a social security officer in Luton, Bedfordshire, is pursuing a claim for disablement benefit after the Social Security Commissioner upheld an appeal that she had become incapacitated for work because colleagues smoked at her office. On six occasions between 1982 and 1986 she suffered painful injury to her lungs, nausea, headaches and extreme breathlessness from which it took her up to four days to recover.

Her claim was initially dismissed by a social security appeal tribunal but the commissioner ruled that "the balance of probabilities" was that on each occasion she suffered personal accidental injury after inhaling her colleagues' tobacco smoke. He

stressed, however, that his decision was based on special factors, including Miss Clay's extremely sensitive reaction to cigarette smoke. The ruling was not a precedent for other cases alleging harm from passive smoking, he said.

However, anti-smoking organisations heralded the ruling as a test case to make the government acton passive smoking. Two years ago a report from a health department advisory body reported that passive smoking caused a few hundred deaths from lung cancer a year in the United Kingdom and

increased the risk of cancer by 30 per cent.

The Environmental Protection Agency in the United States published a report in June claiming that over 3,000 lung cancer deaths in America were caused by passive smoking. Some scientists believe passive smoking and heart disease are linked.

Yesterday Miss Clay said that she had succeeded in her case because she documented the dates and

excessive smoke. If the social security medical board rules that she is more than 14 per cent disabled due to passive smoking she will be entitled to disability benefit. Her claim for benefit under the Industrial Injuries

Act was because she was now permanently sensitised to tobacco smoke as a result of passive smoking at work, she said. "Every time I breathe in smoke I get severe chest and lung pains. I just have to try to make sure that I am never in a smoking environment. I cannot use the local airport and I have difficulty on public transport especially

No one has yet won a court case against their employer in Britain on passive smoking, although a test case is likely in the next two years. A 51-year-old woman, suffering from asthma and chronic respiratory disease, who claims she had to take early retirement due to the effects of passive smoking is to times on each occasion that she was exposed to receive legal aid in her fight for compensation.

American 'cold warriors' scent danger in Soviet co-operation

From CHARLES BREMNER IN WASHINGTON

OLD habits die hard. American experts and pundits alike are wondering what profits the Soviet Union hopes to draw from its first foray into co-operation with the United States.

President Bush has described Moscow's performance in supporting the United Nations votes to enforce sanctions as superb. But for the nostalgic cold warriors of the press and the intelligence community only something sinister can explain President Gorbachev's willingness to fall into step and brand President Saddam Hus-sein, his long-time Middle East

The CIA has been busily leaking reports of opposition within the Soviet foreign ministry and military to the policy set by Mr Gorbachev and Eduard Shevard-

nadze, his foreign minister, he had no plans to move against According to these reports, some the emirate. Soviet supplies are still reaching Iraq in defiance of the UN embargo and rogue personnel of the GRU military intelligence are feeding data on American deployments to the Iraqis who have been their close partners since 1972.

As evidence the anonymous US officials are citing the public remarks by Colonel Valentin Ogurtsov of the Soviet defence ministry that 193 Soviet military experts are seeing out their contractual obligations to Iraq. Some reports circulating in

Washington suggest that the Soviet military were also told in advance of President Saddam's plans to attack Kuwait, but this would appear to be contradicted by Mr Gorbachev's patent anger over the Iraqi leader's assurance to

Some sceptics see the Soviet Union as also playing a machiavellian game whose goal is to ensnare the United States in a military and diplomatic quagmire. At the State Department they say the theories of Soviet complicity with Iraq are as unfounded as the other canard according to which Moscow has been feeding the Americans secret data about the Iraqi military. The rapport between James Baker, the US Sec-retary of State, and Mr Shevardnadze is certainly warm, but mutual trust has not yet reached that level.

Another suspicious line holds that as an exporter, the Soviet Union stands to reap a windfall from the turmoil on world oil markets. Each dollar increase in him on the eve of his invasion that the barrel price is said to add \$2

billion (£1.03 billion) a year to the your alliance' while honouring Soviet hard-currency earnings. But the administration and

most diplomats see a simpler explanation for Soviet motives in the Gulf: the Kremlin has much to gain from eschewing its old tactic of maximising American dis-comfort and falling in with the more moderate Western line. Soviet interests now coincide with Washington's to a remarkable degree. The Guif confrontation has enabled Mr Gorbachev to demonstrate Moscow's good faith as a born-again member of the world community. The Kremlin's attempts to distance itself from its radical Middle Eastern friends

have also been bolstered. According to George Steinbruner, an expert at the Brookings Institute in Washington, "the Soviets have done it very adroitly. They have said 'we want to be in

their past commitments as best they can".

Seen from Washington, Mos-cow is now steering a middle line, winning favour with Egypt and Saudi Arabia, the two moderate Arab states that it was already wooing, while keeping ties with Iraq and positioning itself as a broker for peace-making.

Mr Shevardnadze is reported to have told Mr Baker by telephone that, barring some big Iraqi provocation, Moscow will go no further in enforcing sanctions and does not plan a police role unless the UN organises its own command. Further evidence of the Kremlin's neutral course came from the foreign ministry's sniping on Tuesday at Washington's expulsion of Iraqi diplomats.

American policy-makers are now looking at ways of capital-

interests with Moscow. For a start they are banking on the new strategic balance in the Middle East as a factor that will restrain President Saddam from further ventures if he is forced out of Kuwait with his forces intact. President Bush has made clear this week that he is not aiming to go beyond Kuwait and destroy the Iraqi leader with American force. He hopes that international solidarity will deter the Iraqi

leader from future ventures. After their support for Ameri-ca's initiatives, Moscow can now be expected to seek faster concessions from Washington and the West. "I think we will have to say OK; we acknowledge that you did help out and it is useful for us to be more forthcoming," one policy expert said.

Paul Nitze, the one-time hawk

ising on the new confluence of who served several presidents, is one of many former officials now urging Mr Bush to stize the confrontation in the Middle East to cement the basis of co-opera-

tion with Moscow. Collaboration is still fragile. The president, he said, should make much of the common interest in averting the rise of a radical Muslim bloc in the region. President Gorbachev, he said, always made much of this shared goal in his talks with the Reagan

administration. Mr Nitze suggested that the best way of "transforming the Kuwait crisis into a door to a more favourable future" would be to move rapidly to an agreement on cutting long-range nuclear arsen-als. Washington and Moscow should promote measures at the UN against the spread of nuclear weapons, he suggested.

Thatcher demands release of all Westerners

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT IN HELSINKI

THE prime minister yesterday demanded that President Saddam Hussein release all Western hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait as she responded robustly to reports that the Iraqi leader was planning to free women and children

Giving no indication that her fierce denunciation of President Saddam's conduct has been mollified by his latest move, she said: "I hope that all men nationals that are held in Baghdad and Kuwait would have a similar freedom to

Accusing President Saddam of hiding behind the skirts of women" and of harsh, callous and ruthless behaviour, Mrs Thatcher suggested that his latest ploy was an indication that he was beginning to realise the extent of his crime under intense international

Mrs Thatcher also echoed the description by Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, of President Saddam playing "cat and mouse" with Western nationals. "He is beginning to recognise things he should not have done," she said. "The women and children should never have been held, nor indeed should the men."

Mrs Thatcher disclosed that the British ambassador in Baghdad was trying to get confirmation that the Iraqi leader's latest offer was still on the table. British airlines were ready to fly and wanted to file precise flight plans.

Speaking at a press conference in Helsinki, where she is on a three-day official visit, Mrs Thatcher promised to consult her cabinet colleagues on Neil Kinnock's request for a recall of Parliament to debate the Gulf



Coffee break: Margaret Thatcher and Harri Holkeri, the Finnish prime minister, pausing during their talks in Helsinki yesterday

will attend to his letter and consult Gulf may not be far away. She secretary-general, and Tariq Aziz, my colleagues," she said, adding that Sir Geoffrey Howe, the leader of the House of Commons, could doubtless be reached in Australia, where he is on holiday.

Mrs Thatcher returns to Britain later today after addressing centreright politicians gathered in Helsinki for the conference of the European Democratic Union. The tone of her remarks suggested that

NORMALLY relaxed Jordanian

soldiers now examine permits and

papers with unusually nervous

suspicion at Amman airport. At

the Ruweishid crossing point be-tween Jordan and Iraq thousands

of Asian and other refugees sleep

on the ground with little or no

food and water because emergency

centres in and around the capital

are full to overflowing. At the port

of Aqaba, the docks are largely

talks between Tariq Aziz, the Iraqi

foreign minister, and Javier Pérez de Cuellar, the United Nations

secretary-general, has become a

But Jordan is a country under

seige, a victim of the UN sanctions

against Baghdad, to which it has

reluctantly acceded, and a victim

of its geography. Under King Husain it has survived through a

live-and-let-live approach to Is-

rael, while proving its value to Iraq and Saudi Arabia as a buffer

between Israel and the Arab

world. The present political and

economic strains, however, threaten Jordan's fragile stability.

The Gulf conflict is the most serious King Husain and Jordan

Some analysis see economic

difficulties as the foremost danger.

Ziad Fariz, the industry minister,

fears the economy will become

unmanageable. Fahd Faniek, a

leading Jordanian economist, re-

gards the virtual standstill at

focus of attention.

have faced.

Jordan, the venue for today's

emphasised that Britain and ber international partners were relying on the United Nation's resolution and the "rigorous" enforcement of the trade embargo on Iraq to settle the Gulf confrontation and force President Saddam to withdraw from Kuwait and restore its legitimate government.

The meeting today in Amman, the capital of Jordan, between emergency. "When I get back I a parliamentary debate on the Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN

the Iraqi foreign minister, would not be a negotiating session, she The question that the secretary-

general would be pursuing was the implementation" of the UN resolutions, Mrs Thatcher said. There was no need for a mediator in the Gulf confrontation; the policy agreed by the UN Security Council was clear. She again refused to give a deadline for the

policy to prove effective and for

Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Sanctions would "take a time to work"; she did not know how long, but the policy would be persevered with and reviewed. The option of using military force had not been ruled out.

Earlier, the prime minister had cited the pivotal role of the United States in the Gulf emergency to emphasise its importance to discussions on the future security

structure of Europe. She told Finnish businessmen that the US was "the world policeman" and could not be left out of such

decision-making

Her remarks amounted to a
rebuff to those pressing for the European Community to assume greater responsibility for defence

and foreign affairs in Europe.

Mrs Thatcher argued that the
Helsinki-based 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe was the right forum in which to shape a new European order in the wake of changes such as German unifica-tion and the collapse of the

Warsaw pact. She pointed out that the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe included both superpowers and she praised the US, hailing it as a champion of free enterprise and one of the most generous countries in the world.
"We can depend on them as a policeman for us to protect our principles," she said.

Mrs Thatcher has been critical of the pace at which the other members of the EC decided to commit military forces to the Gulf. She believes it failed a key test of its pretensions to a broader political and military role and she is pointing to its hesitancy in the face of Iraqi aggression to justify her narrower vision of its future place in world affairs. She is

expected to underline this point in her speech today to the European Democratic Union. At talks yesterday with Harri Holkeri, the Finnish prime minister, Mrs Thatcher said that Finland's neutrality was no barrier to its applying for EC membership.

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13 killed in **Gulf ferry** plane crash

From Reuter in Ramstein

A GIANT US Air Force transport plane crashed and burst into flames in West Germany yes-terday, killing 13 people in the worst loss of life since the Gulf military build-up began. The C5A Galaxy was flying as part of the American "Operation Desert Shield" to ferry troops and equip-ment to Saudi Arabia and the

It ploughed through trees into a field a few hundred yards from the end of the runway just after taking off from Ramstein air force base west of Frankfurt.

US Air Force officials in Ramstein said the crash was not likely to slow down the transport of troops to the Gulf. Brigadier-General Richard Swope told a news conference in Ramstein some 12 hours after the crash that the runway was already back in

Officials said that there were four survivors who were in "stable and good condition" at the nearby Landstuhl US Army medical

The C5A was carrying medical supplies, food and maintenance equipment to Rhine-Main air force base, a 20-minute flight away. Its crew were all from Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, air force spokesmen said.

The accident occurred five miles from a US chemical weapons depot in Miesau, where thousands of poison-gas shells are stored awaiting shipment to be destroyed in the Pacific. The chemical arms are packed in leakproof containers in the open air. and the shipments continued as planned yesterday.

The opposition Social Democrass called for the grounding of all military flights over Ramstein while the road-and-rail chemical arms shipments were going on, The pacifist Green party de-manded an end to all military flights over West Germany and to the use of bases on German soil for the airlift for the Gulf confrontation.

C5As are being used extensively in the Gulf build-up and are regarded as exceptionally safe. The last accident of this type occurred in Saigon about 15 years ago, US military officials said.

More than 75 yards long, C5As

can carry either 360 troops, two MI tanks, 16 lorries, six Apache attack helicopters or ten Pershing

silent

Fragile stability threatened by sanctions and geography

Agaba as a devastating blow which will double the already high unemployment rate. In the short run there is no

doubt that the West is belatedly coming to Jordan's aid to help it cope both with the effects of UN sanctions and the refugees. But long-standing observers of Jordan fear that in the long run Jordan will lose the standing it once had in Western eyes because of its behaviour during the confronta-

tion with Iraq. Western television viewers have been disconcerted to see such an obviously English-educated figure as Crown Prince Hassan, the king's brother, espousing views which appear uncomfortably close to those of President Saddam

Jordanian officials, on the other



King Husain: bound by long ailiance with Baghdad

hand, argue that King Hussin and the crown prince see the conflict in terms of Arab haves versus have-nots. Jordan, with its few resources, is among the have-nots, and is bound by its ten-year

alliance with Iraq.
One diplomat said: The flexibility and stability of the Hashemite monarchy is not to be underestimated. I wouldn't count King Husain out even now. The West must make more of an effort to understand the Arab cast of

The Jordanian argument is that Iraq's annexation of Kuwait is wrong, but that an Arab solution must be found.

 PARIS: Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organisation chairman, was received by Michel Rocard, the French prime min-ister, at his official residence yesterday, so continuing the convolutions of French foreign policy over the Gulf confrontation (Philip Jacobson writes).

Mr Arafat reportedly asked for the meeting after his recent visits to Iraq and Yemen. At the end of the session he said he still believed political solution could be achieved in the Gulf'

In Geneva the PLO supported the replacement of "American and other foreign forces" by "inter-national forces under the flag of the United Nations and within their framework", according to an address delivered yesterday on Mr DIPLOMACY

Britain adamant on concessions to Iraq

By OUR DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

MRS Thatcher is expected to the king that substantial financial reject important elements of a aid will be made available if he peace plan promoted by King Husain of Jordan when they meet in London tomorrow.

She and Douglas Hurd, the

foreign secretary, who is to visit Jordan as part of a six-nation Middle East tour, are opposed to any plan which involves concessions to Iraq. King Husain's proposals are understood to entail an independent or autonomous Kuwait, conceding certain rights to Iraq. After an Iraqi withdrawal, a plebiscite or a general election would be held in Kuwait to decide what form of government it

should have.

The British government does not accept that the ruling al-Sabah family of Kuwait, traditional friends of Britain, should be cast aside in the interests of peace. Mr Hurd is expected to emphasise Britain's support for them by meeting Sheikh Jaber Ahmed al-Sabah, the Emir, in Saudi Arabia during his tour. Although Knwait was not a democracy in the Western sense, the government feels that its former rulers are

Mrs Thatcher was on closer terms with King Husain than any other Arab leader, until he declined to condemn the Iraqi invasion. The government still regards him as a friend, and hopes he may yet agree to the full implemention of trade sanctions against Iraq. Britain, like the tories. I United States, will make clear to request.

stops supplies moving across the

Jordanian-Iraqi border.

His plan cuts across the main objective of a second phase of British diplomacy on the Gulf, which has just begun. The government hopes to persuade other countries to give trade sanctions a countries to give trade sanctions a substantial period to work, believing that as shortages appear in Iraq, support for President Saddam will crumble.

In arguing for patience, it has set itself against any early settlement — and therefore against both the king and the Palestine Liberation Organisation. But it is also opposed to the early use of military force, which puts it in conflict with the right wing of American public opinion. A third obstacle would arise if pressure built up for negotiations to free hostages taken by Iraq, but there is no sign of this yet. The government appears to be more worried about opinion in the United States and among certain Arab leaders.

In his tour of Quar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Sandi Arabia and Jordan, Mr Hurd will say that sanctions will take months to work but should eventually succeed.

Arab governments have asked him to show that Britain has not forgotten the Arab-Israel conflict. in which it has always called on Israel to leave the occupied territories. He plans to meet this

HOSTAGES

Airlift is ready as Saddam 'plays cat and mouse'

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By ANDREW MCEWEN DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

DOUGLAS Hurd, the foreign secretary, yesterday accepted President Saddam's apparent offer to release the women and children he holds hostage, but accused the fraqi leader of playing a cat and mouse game and of trying to distract attention from Western demands for Iraq's withdrawal from Kuwait.

British diplomats in Baghdad and London were trying to estab-lish whether Iraq intended the exodus to proceed

The US State Department said it had been told that the women and children would be allowed to leave. This was confirmed by Abdul Razzak al-Hashimi, Img's ambassador to France, in an interview with Independent Tele-

vision News.

The Foreign Office and later that it had received indications that the exodus would go ahead, but this was not sufficient. Britain could not send passenger aircraft to pick up the hostages without definite word that they would be allowed to lead and that the hostages would be there.

Reports from Bachdad said that the authornies feliciday began giving women and children permission to leave, but that their departure could not take place, until soder. that the exodus would go ahead

until soday.

Azmi al-Salihi, the kranj ambas, ()
sador in London, was called to the Foreign Office and asked for dam's decision. He was asked to convey a request that Baghdad and Kuwait airports should be opened so that aircraft could be

sent to collect the hostages.

Mr Hurd said Britain had also asked that the military blockade of the British embassy in Kuwait be lifted so that British diplomats could help to organise the departure of the women and children. This was not a condition for acceptance of the offer but a

practical suggestion.

Mr Hurd described President Saddam's offer as a small but. welcome step away from illegality and inhumanity, but expressed revulsion about his tactics. "It is a cat and mouse game - now a little mercy, now some more ruthlessness," he said.

Britain had to do its best to get the women and children out, but this should not detract from the main objective of getting Iraq to leave Kuwait, he said, adding "We are now in a phase where Saddam Hussein is trying through cat and mouse (measures) to soften up Western opinion." • Flights ready: At two British

airports, volunteer crews were on standby as negotiations continued between the Foreign Office and officials in Baghdad (Mark Souster and Ray Clancy write). Virgin Atlantic, the airline owned by Richard Branson, was

ready to leave Gatwick at a moment's notice in an operation codenamed Britlift. A few miles away at Heathrow, British Airways put the finishing touches to its coutingency plan to airlift British women and children. "We are waiting for the Government to give us the thumbs-up and

are ready to carry out a thorough and professional operation as soon as possible," a BA spokesman said. A team has been working on the plan since the invasion of Kuwait, when a BA jet en route to Madras was stranded at Kuwait airport after it stopped to refuel.

Mr Branson said he has been in touch with the Iraqi embassy in London to try to secure per-mission for a Boeing 747 from his airline land in Baghdad. Within hours of the news from Baghdad that Western women and children were free to leave the country, two crews of 15 had volunteered for

the mercy mission.

He said he was prepared to disrapt scheduled flights to get the airlift off the ground and a team of nurses and doctors would be on

The Gulf Support Group which set up a helpline for relatives in Britain reacted with extreme cantion to news of the release; and said that the hundreds of calls received yesterday revealed that families are taking it one step at a

UN strapped for cash even as its prestige grows From James Bone its payments. Largely because of United Nations is going to have all billion (£1.54 billion to £2.56 be ready to finance the Cam-

IN NEW YORK

JOHN Bolton, the US Assistant Secretary of State for international organisation affairs, stood outside the United Nations headquarters this week, where flags from 159 nations flutter in the breeze, and announced to television cameras that August had been "the most historic month in the 45-year history of the UN".

Although apparently harmless, Mr Bolton had to get approval for the statement directly from Robert Kimmitt, the Under Secretary of State. The television quotation provoked some amusement within the headquarters building, where officials complain about the United States being more than half a billion dollars in arrears in

American delay in paying, the world body has only enough money in the bank to keep its answer is that those who are in electricity connected until the end of October. Yet suddenly it has become the guarantor of world peace it was always intended to be. At America's urging, the security council passed five resolutions this month condemning Iraq's invasion of Kuwait In addition, the council's five perma-

nent members this week agreed to support an unprecedented multibillion-dollar UN operation to bring peace to Cambodia. UN officials and diplomats alike are wondering how the organisation is going to cope. "How the hell are we going to

adapt the mechanism if the

these changes?" a senior Western diplomat asked yesterday. "My arrears should pay up."

President Bush, a former American envoy to the UN, is committed to the Reagan administration's goal of paying the arrears within five years. But Congress, harnstrung by budgetreduction provisions, has failed to authorise the money. UN officials hope the blaze of publicity about the organisation will prompt Congress to cough up the funds.

The money will be sorely needed if the UN is to play a central role in the post-Cold War world. American officials estimate that the Cambodian peace plan alone could cost \$3 billion to \$5

billion) over two years. The body is also expected to compensate countries which suffer serious economic problems caused by complying with the UN-mandated trade embargo on Iraq. Jordan alone says its losses will run to \$2. billion a year.

America has always been the organisation's main source of funds, contributing 25 per cent of its regular budget and about 32 per cent of the cost of its peacekeeping operations. But now there is a new response when sceptical reporters ask where the money will come from: Japan,

Eager to assert greater international influence, Japan is said to be willing to compensate Jordan for respecting the sauctions and to bodian operation, which could involve 10,000 UN troops and a similar number of its civilian staff.

Although this is a short-term solution, Japan's growing finan-cial power within the organisation will inevitably lead to pressure for institutional changes. Like India and Brazil. Japan has long sought a place alongside Britain, China, France, the United States and the Soviet Union as a permanent member of the security council, with veto powers.

But no action is likely soon because of the array of countries with an interest in keeping matters as they are. One envoy said: "There will be learned professors." waving their fingers around for the next ten years on that."

THE INVASION OF KUWAIT: THE MIDDLE EAST

Baghdad firm in refusal to negotiate on withdrawal

From Christopher Walker in Baghdad

ON THE eve of today's talks dismissed suggestions made in Iraq's foreign minister, and Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the United Nations sanding de la lacture de lacture de lacture de la lacture de lacture de la lacture de lac in Jordan between Tariq Aziz, United Nations secretary-general, the Iraqi government last Hitler used to invade the night delivered its clearest message that it will not gain what he called 'living contemplate negotiations on space'," the minister argued.

Lauf Nascef al-Jasim, the culture, said: "There can be no negotiations at all about Ku- territory. Kuwait is not a wait and its fate. Historically, it is Iraqi and the (deposed) alwait and its fate. Historically, country like Britain or Yemen it is Iraqi and the (deposed) alor Iraq, that existed in history. Sabah family has gone to hell. it did not exist. Kuwait is an The subject is now over for

Mr al-Jasim also likened the behaviour of President Bush to that of Adolph Hilter and warned "if a flame is sparked.

everything will be burned".
The 30-minute interview served to dash hopes that President Saddam Hussein's surprise decision to free all foreign women and children might herald the adoption of a softer Iraqi line on the ques-

"At the talks with the United Nations, nothing will develop regarding Kuwait because this is the decision of the people and the leadership here and any talk about this subject is not useful," Mr al-Jasim said. "We can talk about the Gulf crisis in general and the American build-up

The minister, guarded by soldiers with AK47 rifles,

SYRIA

Pro-Iraq protests put down'

By MICHAEL KNIPE DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

SYRIAN troops were reported yesterday to have put down a series of pro-Iraqi demonstrations in cities along the country's eastern border with Iraq at the weekend

Arab diplomats and security sources in Jordan reportedly said dozens of people had been killed. The Foreign Office was trying to confirm the reports which, if correct, would indicate that President Assad's government is facing the sort of populist sympathy for Iraq that King Husain is

confronting in Jordan. The accounts were regarded as highly plausible by Syrian ts. Keith Kyle of the Royal Institute of International Affairs said: "After years of subjecting his people to a whole range of anti-American propaganda, in the present crisis President Assad is coolly asking Syrians to accept that they are on the same side, so some popular reaction could be expected."

Syria was said to have deployed about 50,000 troops to maintain order along the border. If correct, this would indicate the worst outbreak of political unrest in Syria since the rebellion in the city of Hama in February 1982.

Some of the weekend demonstrators were reported to have demanded that the eastern sector of Syria should break away and be merged with Iraq.
A senior diplomat said:

"Troops tried all day to stop the demonstrations, and reports from our Damascus embassy said dozens of people were killed." By Monday, the rioting had been put down, but the mood remained explodid. "There is a complete difference between both cases. world in order to expand and

"All our neighbours are Arab and Islamic countries minister of information and and we have no ambition towards an inch of their Iraqi land that has been brought back to its people."

Occasionally breaking from Arabic into English, the min-ister said: "What is said in the West about Saddam Hussein being Hitler is really ap-plicable to Bush. It is Bush who has sent a fleet and forces to the region and, whatever is said, has in fact invaded and occupied Saudi Arabia. Bush is Hitler - Hitler himself."

Mr al-Jasim continued to insist that Iraq was ready for peace talks, but not with the preconditions that it should first withdraw from Kuwait, He repeated the peace initia-tive launched by President Saddam which linked any solution of the Gulf conflict to other Middle East issues, including the Palestinian issue, and said again this should be the basis of any negotiated solution. The tone of the interview lessened hopes that the UN initiative could bring

any quick breakthrough. Mr al-Jasim reiterated Iraq's ability to stand up to any armed struggle, claiming that the number of men dispatched to the region so far by America was "fuel for only one battle". He concluded: "Kuwait has come back to Iraq and the al-Sabah family has gone to hell. If the US attacks, we will destroy it.

"Our morale is high. We have 5.5 million volunteers in the Popular Army and 1.5 milhion in the regular forces. We hope no war will happen, but we are not afraid. We know that everyone has only one life, so that when he dies, he must die as a hero."

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British Gulf force BRITAIN is to strengthen its establishing air traffic control

Destroyer to join

forces in the Gulf by sending another Royal Navy dearrangements suitable for pilots from each nation. stroyer, Tom King, the de- Bahrain warning: The government of Bahrain, which is fence secretary announced becoming a focal point for Speaking aboard the Type 22 frigate HMS Battleaxe, multinational air forces and navies in the Gulf, is prepared temporarily docked in Bahto wait only a short time, probably a matter of weeks for sanctions to work against

rain, Mr King said that the Type 42 destroyer HMS Gloucester would join the Armilla patrol, which consists of the destroyer HMS York and two frigates, HMS Battleaxe and HMS Jupiter. Iraq before going to war. Sheikh Mohammed bin Mubarak al-Khalifa, the Bahrain foreign minister, said yesterday that he would not He also disclosed that three wait six months for the embargo to force President minehunters on their way to the eastern Mediterranean Saddam Hussein to retreat would go straight to the Gulf, and be based in Bahrain, A detachment of Rapier antifrom Kuwait. "Much shorter than six months - as short as possible," he said. aircraft guns will be moved

Sheikh Mohammed went from Cyprus to protect the on to indicate that if after this British Tornado fighter squad-ron which arrived from Gertime Kuwait was still in Iraqi hands, Arab and international forces should go to war. HMS Gloucester is still in Sheikh Mohammed dismissed UK waters undergoing speculation that the Arab modifications for Armilla duworld would become more ties. She could reach the Gulf divided as the campaign dragged on. He believed that what he called the "military option" would command widespread support among Arab states, and that the UN

Charter was justification

During his visit to the big air base at Dhahran in Saudi Arabia on Tuesday, Mr King discussed the problem of harmonising rules of engage-

many on Tuesday.

BAHRAIN

here yesterday.

SAUDI ARABIA

Allies on the alert for terrorist threat

AMERICAN and British forces in Saudi Arabia have been put on a terrorist alert amid fears that the growing Western contingent could become vulnerable to Beirut-

Ready to scramble: six of the twelve RAF Tornadoes in Bahrain in position on the apron of a military airport. They were sent to bolster Britain's forces ranged against

Iraq, which include another squadron of Tornadoes based at Dhahran, Sandi Arabia. Fears have been raised that the main air base there could be a terrorist target

style car bombings. Only last weekend, vehicles Saudi air base, where most American troops are flown in Beirut."
and where RAF Tornadoes Altho are stationed, after US Air Force security made only routine checks of security

Yesterday, for the first time since American forces were deployed here three weeks ago, all vehicles were carefully

MILITARY BALANCE

first to be sent to Saudi

With Iraq's offensive capab-

ing of 1,000 tanks, 1,200

armoured vehicles and 800

artillery pieces, the Sheridan

tanks and anti-tank helicop-

ters of the US 82nd Airborne

Division could not have with-

stood an attack in the early

days of Operation Desert Shield. It was only the rapid

deployment of combat aircraft

to Saudi Arabia that deterred

Iraqi tanks from crossing the

inspected for bombs before likely to come from fanatical being allowed in.

"The threat is perceived to be worse now," said a marine after he had looked underneath his car and inside the engine compartment before starting the engine. "None of were allowed to enter the main us has forgotten what happened to the marines in

> American forces has been largely welcomed by the Saudi recently that complacency was people, it is feared that Bagh-dad may be able to draw on war of nerves continues, stay largely welcomed by the Saudi sympathisers among the hundreds of thousands of Arab distributed to his airmen. guest workers living in the "The enemy's other weapon of country. The threat is not choice is terrorism." How-

Fleet on standby speeds US

heavy brigades to frontline

THE balance between Ameri- Garcia and the four from Shield are nine from Diego

can light-armed forces, the Guam have brought heavy Garcia and one from the

equipment for the three bri-

dramatically, according to the now in position in Saudi Saudi Arabia. They have also latest deployment details released by Pentagon officials.

Arabia. The ships, travelling arrived.

Two more vital units, the

at 20 knots, took six days from

filled with M60 tanks, 155mm

howitzers, light assault ve-

The nine ships earmarked

for the marines have brought

enough supplies to sustain 30

days of combat by 33,000

will be in place within a few

nel carriers and jeeps.

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Diego Garcia and about 14 2nd Armoured Division and

days from Guam, They were 1st Cavalry Division, both

hicles, 8in self-propelled and are still about 30 days

marines. More marines units that breaks with limits on

are on the way and it is arms sales to the Saudi air expected that 60,000 to 70,000 force imposed by the pro-

The other maritime sale was reported by the

prepositioned ships taking Washington Post and has not

part in Operation Desert yet been confirmed.

Arabia, and heavily armoured gades of the 1st Marine Ex-

units is beginning to change peditionary Force which is

Shia Muslim groups, who dislike President Saddam Hussein more than the US. but from Palestinian groups. such as Abul Abbas's Palestine Liberation Front, which have announced their allegiance to Colonel John McBroom, the commander of the Ameri-

Although the arrival of can tactical fighter wing in Saudi Arabia, warned his men alert," he said in a message distributed to his airmen.

eastern Mediterranean, all of

them bringing supplies for the

US army and air force units in

equipped with MIAI Abrams

battle tanks, are coming by sea

• WASHINGTON: America

has agreed to sell \$6 billion

worth of new weapons to

Saudi Arabia, including F15

fighters and M60 tanks, a step

force imposed by the pro-

Israeli bloc in Congress

(Charles Bremner writes). The

civilian areas with little or no protection. At an hotel where some officers are staying, steps are being taken to seal off access for cars and buses to the glassfronted entrance.

ever, most American forces

are thought to be relatively safe from attack. Those at the

base are not allowed beyond

the perimeter and security has

been increased at the gate,

including the deployment yes-

terday of members of the RAF

American soldiers and ma-

rines in the field secure their positions with sentries. But a

growing number of personnel,

including senior officers, are

quartered outside the base in

Regiment.

 Oil workers quit: About 500 expatriate workers, including 95 Britons, have resigned from Aramco, the world's largest oil company, since the invasion of Kuwait.

Aramco, a Saudi company that controls 97 per cent of the country's oil reserves and employs 43,000 foreign workers, said yesterday that the resignations had not affected production and that replacements were already being

The company's ability to function normally is crucial if the West is to avoid economic and Kuwaiti crude which, combined, accounted for about four million barrels a day. Saudi Arabia, which normally produces five million barrels a day, claims to have increased production by two million barrels.

Western experts say it is unlikely, however, that the kingdom can lift output by more than one million barrels a day and that Saudi Arabia will have to look for support from other Opec nations meeting in Geneva this week to increase production and keep oil prices down.

Letters, page 11 | ment for fighter pilots, and enough **HIGH-TECH WEAPONS**

Key role for anti-tank missile

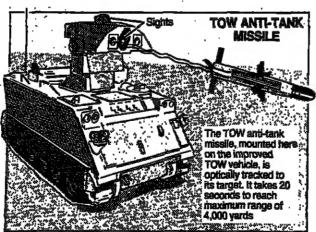
By OUR DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

ONE of the weapons which will play an important role in any tank war with the Iragis is the tube-launched opticallytracked wire-guided (TOW) anti-tank missile. Although it is said the best tank destroyer is another tank, the American and Saudi combined tank force will never reach the thousand or so which the Iragis have deployed in

Thousands of TOW missiles on a variety of launching platforms, including the Brad-ley fighting vehicle, the im-proved TOW vehicle, the high mobility multi-purpose wheeled vehicle and the Cobra helicopter, have been sent to Saudi Arabia with the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions and the marines.

The TOW system first came into service in 1970. It has been updated many times and is regarded as highly reliable and accurate. The TOW hitrate in peacetime trials is as high as 95 per cent. In the heat of the desert and

in war conditions it will be far goes behind a sand dune, the active armour.



more difficult to operate. The weapon is not a fire-and-forget system, so the operator must keep his eye on the target until the missile strikes. The missile is attached to the launch system by wire and has a range of about 4,000 yards. If the TOW launch crew is under artillery fire, it will also be difficult to keep a steady track of the target, which the missile takes about 20 seconds to Iraq's tanks do not have the reach. "If the tank in sight latest Soviet explosive re-

the tank," Christopher Foss, editor of Jane's Armour and

The Americans will have brought the TOW 2 model with them to Saudi Arabia, which has a heavier 152mm diameter warhead, capable of penetrating the hulls of the T72 tanks used by the Iraqi Republican Guards divisions.

But now the American heavy brigades are arriving in full force. The speed with which some of them have been sent to Saudi Arabia has been due to a specialised sealift capability which in the past has been criticised in the US as ineffective and too

These are the special mari-time prepositioned ships that wait off Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean, off Guam in the Western Pacific, in the Atlantic and in the eastern Mediterranean, filled with tanks, armoured personnel carriers, artillery, lorries, food and other supplies in anticipa-tion of a conflict anywhere in

the world. All the prepositioned ships, alerted as soon as President Bush announced that American forces were going to Saudi Arabia, have now arrived and the stores are offloaded. Five of the ships from Diego

DUBAI NOTEBOOK by Juan Carlos Gumucio

Desert traders flourish on American thirst anza. So serious is the mineral water

ithout a shot being fired, the United Arab Emirates' fledgeling tourism industry is likely to become the first casualty of the Gulf confrontation. Thousands of Europeans and Asians seeking sun and duty-free shopping have cancelled plans to visit. Yet the military build-up in Saudi Arabia is coming to the rescue of small businesses in the United Arab Emirates. At least three modest emirates supply companies have seen their fortunes soar as the demand for water for the thousands of thirsty American soldiers in the neighbouring desert continues to

"Saudi Arabia's supply is not enough for the Americans," the Indian sales manager of one of Dubai's small bottling companies said. "Imagine, each American soldier consumes at least two gallons per day. It's just great. If they stay for three more months, we will have an unforgettable year."

Masafi, the biggest water supply company, will probably take the hon's share of this unexpected bon-

business that nobody in the trade would reveal the volume of sales. "It is military secret," one dealer whis-pered. The order to observe maximum discretion has not yet reached one Lebanese lorry driver, who said that his convoy took about 30,000 boxes of bottled mineral water across the Saudi border every day.

rying eggs on board HMS York can certainly be more fun than spending dull evenings in Dubai's celebrated nightspots, Ken Blackie, aged 30, the leading cook of the pride of the Royal Navy in the Guif, says with good reason.

A Falklands veteran from Kirk-caldy, he feels "stuck and quite bored" at Thatcher's, the somewhat empty temple of dining and wining for young British expatriates. They are dicussing the latest "war" news, or arguing whether to leave the Gulf is in" or "out".

"At least in the Falklands we knew what was going on, we knew what to expect. Here there is nothing, not a

reference," says Mr Blackie. A few blocks down the road, Mel Robertson, a fellow Scots disc-jockey at the exclusive Passport Club disco, is stifling a yawn. In spite of the stereo blasting laments of Penny Ford and

Don't you feel the climate is a bit too hot

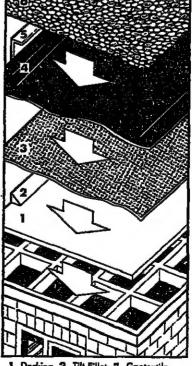
the implacable percussion of her rap group, the Oops Up, the place is still empty at midnight, except for the two young Filipino receptionists and the Sri Lankan bartender. Mr Robertson, staring at the deserted dance floor, apologises. The high-pitched voice of Ms Ford is now asking the invisible audience: "What we gonna do?"

dium has no holiday in Dubai.

And, with the stalemate in the Gulf, a day without developments can be miserable for the legion of iournalists stationed here. The only exception are five enterprising British reporters who tasted some action in the Gulf waters last week.

On board a leased motorboat, cameras at the ready, they were hoping to get close to at least one of the numerous warships patrolling the Strait of Hormuz, Buttheir boat, the Airbust, had an undetected fuel leak and went up in flames only yards away from Sham port. "We could have hardly found better names for our excursion," commented one disappointed photographer.

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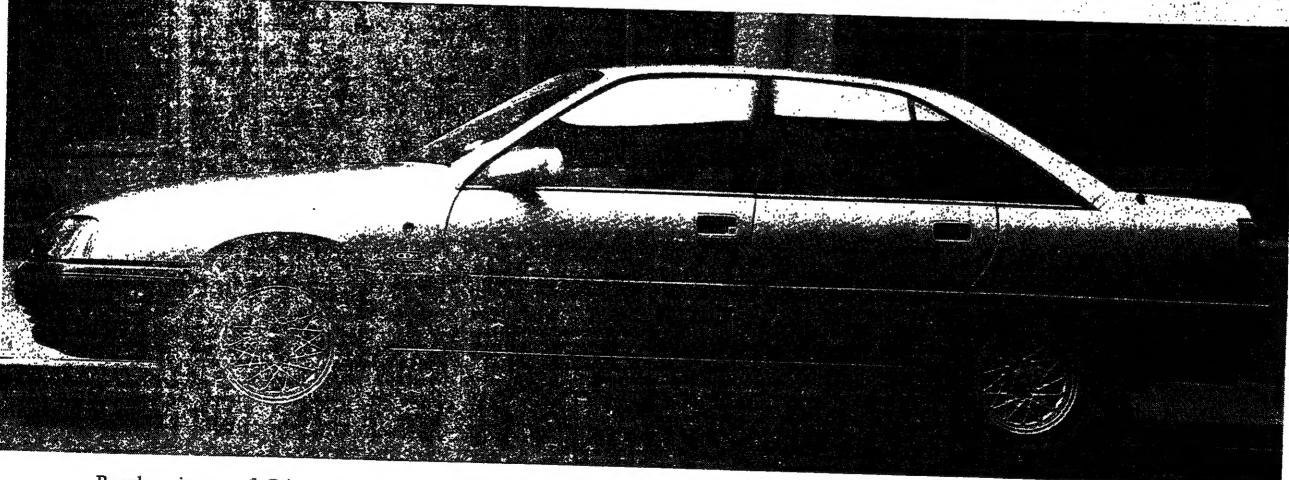
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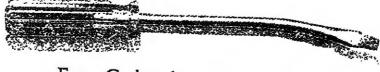
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Tribunal is sought to tackle miscarriage of justice cases By Frances Gibb LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE Home Secretary's referral of the Birmingham Six cases to the Court of Appeal, only months after the freeing of the Guildford Four, was seen yesterday as adding overwhelming pressure to the case for new machinery to tackle alleged miscarriages of justice.

A number of judges, as well as both branches of the legal profession and groups in the forefront of the campaign for reform, are calling for a new kind of independent tribunal or review body to take on the job of investigating such cases. Yesterday Lord Scarman, the retired law lord, called for an independent judicial authority, perhaps based on the Privy Council, to examine such

There is also widespread support for an overhaul of the Court of Appeal, which has been criticised for being too restrictive in

convictions or to order a retrial.

Peter Ashman, legal officer of Justice, one of the leading pressure groups, said: "The referral back of the Birmingham Six cases makes the case for reform of the machinery for dealing with miscarriages of justice overwhelming. If these cases have gone back, after such an exhaustive appeal in which every issue was exhaustively ex-plained ... surely the time has come for a complete rethink at how the Court of Appeal goes about its business."

Justice wants legislation to widen its powers so it can take on more of an investigative role, weighing all the evidence in a case, ordering new hearings of disputed evidence and initiating its own

enquiries. The Court of Appeal "should be much less a referee of the system and much more a general court of review, which feels free to to come

bound by the verdict of the jury", Mr Ashman said.

Justice was hoping that the enquiry now under way into the Guildford Four and Maguire cases would make recommendations along those lines, he added. If it had not reported by the time the government published its criminal justice bill in the autumn, however, Justice planned to seek a change in the law via an amend-

ment to that bill.

Mr Ashman's views were echoed by Sir Frederick Lawton, the retired senior Court of Appeal judge, who sat on the original appeal on the Birmingham six cases, though he was cautions about the implications of the referring back of those cases. "I don't think any of us knows exactly yet all the facts relating to this reference and until we do, we

Billy Power said detectives had

dragged him to a window and

threatened to throw him out.

Official photographs taken of

them shortly after their arrest

clearly show cuts and bruises on In December 1975, 14 prison

officers were charged with assault-

ing the six. All were acquitted at

their trial in June 1976. Earlier in 1976 the Court of Appeal had refused the six even

leave to challenge their convic-

tions. In announcing his decision, Lord Widgery, the then Lord Chief Justice of England, re-marked that he did not think the

appellants had received any knocking about "beyond the or-

dinary" while in custody.

Barring a full appeal bearing was a severe setback for the men

and the burgeoning body of campaigners convinced that they, with the Guildford Four and the

Magnire Seven, also convicted of

terrorist offences, had fallen vic-tim to a public backlash against

the IRA which had poisoned

police investigations of mainland

The story of the alleged mis-

carriage of justice disappeared

from front pages of newspapers, in

spite of strenuous efforts by

Ludovic Kennedy, an investi-

gative journalist and Christopher

Mullin, the Labour MP. In Octo-

ber 1985 the issue resurfaced after

a Granada Television programme

which scorned the reliability of Dr

Skuse's evidence. Further mo-

mentum was added in July 1985

by a book Error of Judgement, by

Two-and-a-half years later the

men's hopes were again dashed when, after an enquiry, Lord Lane,

the Lord Chief Justice, vindicated

the forensic evidence and cleared

West Midlands police of a cat-

alogue of alleged brutality.

Mr Mullin on the six.

can't draw any inferences."

But he acknowledged the case for reforming the powers of the

Court of Appeal. "At present the court has to deal with a case on the basis of the evidence and submissions out before it. It has no power to initiate its own enquiries, and even if it wanted to, it would have no means of making them." The court, he said, should have a senior police officer attached to it, able to recruit a team.

On the need for an independent review body, Lord Scarman yesterday said: "We have got to deal with all alleged miscarriages of justice in a way people can see is going to be really fair." An independent judicial authority, comparable to the Privy Council, could be given jurisdiction to deal with alleged miscarriages and relieve the Court of Appeal in cases such as the Birmingham Six and conduct enquiries.

"If a case has gone through all the steps of trial and the Court of Appeal, and the convictions upheld, and after that matters arise that indicate a miscarriage of

back to the Court of Appeal but to a body like the Privy Council," Lord Scarman said.

The present system is putting a burden on the Court of Appeal which is very, very difficult for anybody to carry." The judges were being asked to look critically at institutions of which they were crucial members. "I know they are trained to be independent, but it is asking a lot of human nature," he

The judicial committee of the Privy Council could take on this role with minimal reorganisation and legislation. It has already been given a constitutional role in reviewing legislation by the Scottish Assembly that was alleged to be ultra vires, although the power, in the Scotland Act 1979, was never enacted.

The mounting pressure for reform of the system came with the release last autumn of the Guildford Four. A number of Law Society, as well as Justice, and prominent legal figures, have since highlighted what they see as its defects.

Justice, in its report on miscarriages of justice last year. concluded that the present system was "wholly inadequate". An independent review body should be set up, it said, with powers of a tribunal of enquiry, to take on the job of investigating such cases and which would seek the truth in cases involving difficult issue of

On the Court of Appeal it concluded that "the restrictive manner in which the Court of Appeal interprets its powers appears at times to be ineffective in curing miscarriages of justice on appeal." Reference back to the Court of Appeal would be limited to matters of law and procedure, it proposed.

Although the Court of Appeal is suppposed to test the soundness of

subjective test of whether it has a "lurking doubt" about that conviction, it is ignored by many udges, Justice maintains, it says that recent research shows that the Court of Appeal assesses the soundness of a conviction not by reference to the probable guilt or innocence of the person convicted, but instead by reference to the fairness of the trial.

During the period studied, from April to August 1989, Justice said that not one appeal was allowed on the ground that the court had a lurking doubt about the soundness of the conviction and athough the court had had the power to do so since April 1989, no retrial had been ordered.

The Bar has also criticised the Court of Appeal as being too cautions in ordering retrials, and the Home Secretary for referring back to the court only those cases where there is fresh evidence casting doubt on the verdict.

Police investigation prompted decision to refer case to court

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE home secretary's decision to refer the cases of the Birmingham Six back to the Court of Appeal for a second time was prompted by information supplied by Devon and Cornwall detectives who have been examining the original police investigation into the 1974 public

house bombings.

The force has found apparent discrepancies in the police record of an interview conducted by West Midlands detectives with Richard McIlkenny, one of the six Irishmen convicted of the atrocities which left 21 civilians dead and 161 injured in what remains, the worst IRA attack perpetrated on mainland Britain.

In March, Geoffrey Dear, then chief constable of the West Midlands force, asked Devon and Cornwall police to scrutinise cer-tain "new" matters relating to the investigation which had been brought to the bome office's attention by lawyers representing the six. Campaigners for the six and the home office have studiously refused to comment further, but it is understood the points relate to the times at which the six

were initially interviewed. In the past campaigners have claimed that detectives, some of whom belonged to the former West Midlands Police Serious Crimes Squad, disbanded a year ago amid allegations of police corruption, deliberately falsified the times at which interviews were conducted, as well as parts of the suspects' evidence, to disguise the brutal beatings they allegedly

meted out to the suspects. The Home Office, which last referred the cases to the Appeal Court in January 1987, said the record had been subjected to a new test called electro-static analysis. This had suggested that "some pages may have been written at a different time". It said: "The

home secretary has decided that the Court of Appeal should have the opportunity to consider the significance of this new dev-elopment in relation to the safety

of the convictions of the six men." All the men were said to have freely confessed their guilt to police shortly after five of them were arrested on November 24, 1974 in Heysham, Lancashire. They said they were travelling to Ireland for a friend's funeral.

The confessions, later retracted by the defendants who claimed they were the fruit of police beatings and psychological tor-ture, were one of the two main planks of the Crown's case at the ensuing trial, at Lancaster Crown Court in the summer of 1975. The other plank was provided by forensic tests by Dr Frank Skuse, a home office scientist, who said the results showed beyond doubt that two of the men had handled nitroglycerine, the main constit-uent in bombs used in the Birmingham bombings. That Au-gust the six were sentenced to life

Doubts began emerging early on about the safety of the convic-tions. These were inspired by the IRA's denial that any of the six were or had been in the IRA, by the strong evidence that the men had been assaulted at some point in their first few days of custody and by campaigners' claims that Dr Skuse's tests had not been

conducted properly.

It was claimed that the tests, based on the Griess procedure, since replaced by a more accurate method, had simply detected traces of nitro-cellulose, a nonincriminating substance found in many household items, including playing cards. The men said they had been playing cards shortly

TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

November 21, 1974: Bombings at the Mulberry Bush and the Tavern in

the Town, Birmingham, leave 21 dead, 162 injured. Five men arrested

three hours later at Heysham, Lancashire, after leaving Irish boat-train

November 24: Patrick Hill, Hugh Callaghan, John Walker, Richard

June 1975: Trial at Lancaster Crown Court. Frank Skuse, Home Office

forensic scientist, says two of six handled explosives. Accused say they

December: Fourteen prison officers charged with assaulting the

prisoners. All 14 later acquitted.

March 1976: Court of Appeal refuses leave for the six to challenge

November 1977: Six unsuccessful in suing police for assault.

October 1985: Granada Television's World in Action questions reliability of forensic tests. Three days later Home Office orders Dr

saying bombings carried out by three un-named men living in Republic of Ireland.

January 1987: Home Secretary refers case back to Court of Appeal and

January 1988: Appeal dismissed, with allegations by two former police

October 1989: Home Secretary orders release of Guildford Four, who

also alleged fabricated evidence, intimidation and assault by police. Judicial enquiry into Guildford Four, and Magnire Seven, jailed for

possessing explosives.

December: Birmingham Six downgraded from prison category A to B.

January 1990: West Midlands police admit that 2,000 statements, some allegedly supporting alibi by six at 1975 trial, have been

February: Six refuse parole. Will accept only declaration of innocence.

March 21: Home Secretary announces limited police enquiry by Devon and Cornwall Police into new material.

March 28: Granada's Who Bombed Birmingham? based on Mr Mullin's research names four of five alleged real bombers. Condemned by Mrs Thatcher as trial by television.

July: Granada interview with unidentified man who confessed to

planting bombs.
August: Details of detectives facing allegations of fabricating evidence as members of disbanded West Midlands serious crime squad passed

Solicitors for the six submit new material to Home Office.

Skuse's early retirement for "limited efficiency".

July 1986: Christopher Mullin, MP, publishes Error of Judge

announces enquiry by Devon and Cornwall Police.

officers of violence and intimidation of the six.

April: Leave of appeal to Lords denied.

McIlkenny, Gerard Hunter and Billy Power charged with murder.

from Birmingham, Sixth arrested later in Birmingham,

November 23: IRA says none of the six are members.

were tortured into making confessions.

August: Six sentenced to life imprisonment.

before their arrest. During their trial, the six gave

graphic descriptions of their alleged mistreatment by police. John Walker claimed that he had been punched repeatedly on an operating scar on his stomach. that he had been deliberately burned by a cigarette and that a gun had been held to his head.







The Birmingham Six: the top photographs, left to right, show Patrick Hill, Hugh Callaghan, John Walker and the bottom photographs, left to right, are of Richard McIlkenny, Gerard Hunter and William Power

Six grew up in Catholic areas of Ulster but 'disowned' IRA

THE Six grew up in Catholic areas of Northern Ireland. They went to England as young men to seek work and eventually settled in Birmingham, married and raised their families.

Richard McIlkenny, now age 55, a former cook in the Irish army, left his Belfast home in 1956 to settle in Birmingham where he and his wife Kate raised their five daughters and a son. Two of Mclikenny's brothers were interned and another survived a sectarian murder attempt in Belfast. Mclikenny worked at a forgines factory in Birmingham at the time of the bombings, He frequented the Crossways public house in the city, where collections were taken for internees' families in Ulster. He admitted that he slightly knew James McDade, another Belfast

man who had settled in Birming-ham and who a week before the house in the city. Power said after pub bombings blew himself up planting a bomb at the Coventry telephone exchange. Five of the six were on their way to McDade's funeral in Belfast when they were

arrested at Heysham. Mcllkenny told police he had republican sympathies, but that his feelings were not strong. He claimed that he had always been sickened by IRA bombings. After his arrest, his wife and children fled to Belfast because of threats made by neighbours and others.

Billy Power, married with four children, came to England from Belfast in 1963. He went to the same Catholic school as another member of the six, Gerard Hunter, and James McDade and later met both in Birmingham. A few months before the pub bombings,

politics. I only know there have been injustices on both sides."

Robert Gerard Hunter, aged 44, left school in Belfast at the age of 15 and held down various jobs before moving to England when he was 17. A painter by trade, he settled down in a Birmingham council house with his wife Sandra and three children. He was a regular at the Crossways pub, but he told police: "Although I have republican sympathies, I do not believe the IRA bombing campaign will achieve anything." Hunter was the only one of the six against whom there was no direct evidence. He was convicted on the statements of four of the others, but apparently is not bitter that they implicated him.

Patrick Hill, aged 45, was married with six children at the time of the bombings. A painter by trade, he was unemployed through ill health when he was arrested. His wife Pat divorced him in 1983 and remarried, but continued to see him in prison. Hill had a police record before his arrest and had been in prison. He has campaigned tirelessly for the release of the six. Hill's father, brother and uncle were all in the

British army. John Walker, aged 55, was born in the nationalist Bogside area of Londonderry and left for England when he was aged 17, moving to Birmingham a year later. He and his wife Theresa have seven children. He was a crane driver at the forgings factory where Mc-Ilkenny worked and managed the firm's football team. He was a visitor to the Crossways and helped fundraising for internees' dependants. He said he wanted a united Ireland but did not believe

violence was the way to achieve it. Hugh Callaghan, aged 60, is married with a daughter. He came to England 43 years ago. He said that on the day of the bombings he met the other five by chance in their local pub as the others prepared to leave Birmingham for McDade's funeral. He did not travel with them and was arrested at his home in Birmingham.



The waiting family: Kate McIlkenny, wife of Richard McIlkenny, one of the Birmingham Six, with two of their five daughters, Siobhan, left, and Maggie, right. The couple also have a son

Analysis technique can show a statement has been doctored

By Nigel Hawkes, science editor

to Devon and Cornwall police enquiry.

AN INVENTION developed in a garage chalked up another success yesterday when the Home Secretary referred the case of the Birmingham Six to the Appeal Court. Forensic scientists working for the Devon and Cornwall Police had found "apparent discrepancies" in the record of an interview with one of the six, Richard McIlkenny, a statement from the Home

Office said. The technique they used, Electrostatic Document Analysis (ESDA), was invented by two research workers at the London College of Printing in the 1970s. Bob Freeman, a physicist, and Doug

Foster, a chemist, now run a business with a turnover of £1.5 million a year, exporting their machines from premises in Evesham, Hereford and Worcester.

They found a way of detecting the indentations made in successive sheets of paper when the top sheet is written on. The pressure of a pen, particularly a ballpoint, leaves a pattern of indentations on the lower sheets of, say, a policeman's notebook which can be read using ESDA. So long as they match the actual writing on the sheets above, all is well. But if any words have been added later when the sheets are not lying on top of one another, they can be detected.

The method first achieved prominence to prove it, aren't you?" Mr Dandy denied in forensic science in 1987 when it was used by Tom Davis, a lecturer in English at Birmingham university, to show up discrepancies in the written version of a confession by Paul Dandy, who was charged with armed robbery by the West Midlands Serious Crimes Squad. Ewan Smith, Mr Dandy's solicitor, asked Mr

Davis to help. Mr Davis started searching through the police evidence, page by page, and found a sentence had apparently been added to the statement after Mr Dandy had signed it. It read: "Well, it's very clever of you to have caught me, but now you're going to have

having said it. "The implication was that it was made up," Mr Davis said. The case against Mr Dandy was dropped.

Since then, a large number of cases have collapsed or been thrown out of court on the evidence of ESDA. In January 1988 cases against six defendants in two armed robbery cases were dropped after the defence sought to have their alleged confessions run through the ESDA machine. The prosecution responded by saying that the statements had been lost. and the case collapsed.

The success of ESDA depends on records being made in the conventional

way, in a notebook with the impressions of each page going through to the one beneath. Its very success is likely to lead to changes in police practice, at least among the less scrupulous members of the force. No policemen planning to embroider a confession nowadays would do so in a way that could be detected by ESDA. He would use of felt-tip pen, which makes smaller indentations than a ballpoint, and rest each successive sheet on the desk, not on the sheet below.

Some 700 machines have been sold worldwide, and the company has diversified into other instruments useful to forensic scientists.

Families were at heart of campaign

By CRAIG SETON

THE campaign to free the Birmingham Six mushroomed a year before the 1987 Appeal Court hearing and came to encompass MPs and churchmen, solicitors and barristers, writers, television programme makers and others in Britain and Ireland.

Volunteers set up campaign headquarters in Birmingham, London and Dublin. At the heart of the campaign has always been the families of the men. Their spirits have veered between elation or depression as their efforts have either shown progress or faltered.

Vital to the campaign has been Kate McIlkenny, the wife of Richard Mclikenny, and her five daughters and son. Before the case became a prominent national issue, they tirelessly wrote letters seeking support and addressed poorly attended public meetings.

McIlkenny's daughter Maggie, aged 24, described yesterday how appeals for support gradually were answered: "I did not have a social life. My telephone was always ringing and my answer phone was always full of messages. My own children hardly ever see me.

"All the members of the six families are victims. Our pain has continued for 16 long years. I do not think anybody can understand the campaign and anguish we have been through."

Television programmes have been important. In 1985 Granada's World in Action questioned the forensic evidence produced at the trial of the six men and a year later reported allegations by a former West Midlands constable that appeared to support claims that the men had been beaten in police custody. Earlier this year Granada broadcast "Who Bombed Birmingham", a programme that purported to reveal the

identity of the real bombers. Of the MPs who have campaigned for the release of the six men, Chris Mullin, the Labour member for Sunderland South, has been most prominent. In 1986 he published his book on the case Error of Judgment.

In Ireland, meanwhile, the announcement that the case will go back to the Court of Appeal was welcomed by the prime minister, Charles Haughey. He said he hoped that the interests of justice in a protracted case was now close to an early and satisfactory resolution. He said that Irish politicians, friends, relatives and supporters of the six, North and South, believed that the door was now open for

justice to be done. The deputy leader of Northern Ireland's Social Democratic and Labour Party, Seamus Mallon, said that there was now a clear recognition that something had been "rotten" during the trial of the six. The case should not be subjected to further legal delay.



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Thatcher's appeal for tunnel cash under fire

By PETER MULLIGAN

project, which is seeking further funding

Margaret Thatcher's personal intervention was attacked by a senior Labour spokesman who said he had no doubt that she had been canvassing the Japanese for financial support for the Channel tunnel. John Prescott, the shadow transport secretary, said he was surpised that she should go begging cap in hand" to Japanese bankers to provide more money to complete Britain's essential infrastructure. He said that the commercial judg-ment of the Japanese banks

Rules on business interests 'unclear'

By DOUGLAS BROOM LOCAL GOVERNMENT

RULES governing the outside business interests of chairmen of development corporations are to be tightened after an admission by the environment department that its advice on the issue had been

The decision follows the publication yesterday of the findings of an independent enquiry into the conduct of Hugh Sykes, chairman of Sheffield Development Corporation. The investigation cleared Mr Sykes of any impropriety but criticised civil servants for advising him that he could remain chairman of a property investment company operating within the development corporation area.

Sir John Gartick, former permanent secretary at the environment department, was appointed to look into the running of the corporation after a clash between Mr Sykes corporation's chief executive.

corporation took over the city council's planning powers to regenerate the 2,250 acre Lower Don valley to the east of the city. In a statement issued yes-

terday Michael Portillo, the local government minister, said Mr Sykes' chairmanship of Hallamshire Investments plc, a company established to invest in the regeneration of Sheffield was inconsistent with the need to avoid suspicion of clashes of public and private interests.

The minister said that Mr Sykes could remain chairman of Hallamshire but the general rule was that chairmen of development corporations

Five hundred final year

students in universities, business schools and polytechnics

were asked to rank companies according to several yardsticks in a survey by Business maga-

zine and Young & Rubicam Capital Image, the marketing

Although students ranked

retailing as fourth in terms of

dynamism, behind chemicals

and pharmaceuticals, computer systems and telecom-

munications, Marks & Spencer's aggregate score made it a

clear winner overall. The re-

sult comes as no surprise since

the company already receives more than 5,500 graduate

applicants a year for around

300 places among its 62,000

consultancy group.

M & S is top choice

for graduate jobs

By ROBIN YOUNG

THE wish of most graduates is by students to be the best of all

to work for Marks & Spencer. at its business, and was named Failing that, they would like as the company with which to work for British Telecom. they would most like to be

The prime minister was criti- was against further investcised yesterday for writing to ment in the tunnel, but the the Japanese government on political pressure on the prime behalf of the Channel tunnel minister meant that the money was needed. Calling for the letter to be published, Mr Prescott described the project as one of the

prime minister's sinking flag-ships which she was des-perately trying to keep afloat. Downing Street confirmed that the letter had been sent about three weeks ago to Toshiki Kaifu, the prime minister of Japan, but declined to disclose its contents. "We do not disclose the contents of letters between heads of government. She was drawing to

received and was not necessar-

Mr Kaifu's attention what an

impressive thing the Channel

tunnel project is.

Ronald Fears, the Liberal Democrat's transport spokes-man, said that there was nothing wrong in approaching the Japanese for more investment, "but the fact she has had to do it is symptomatic of the government's macro-economic mismanagement". The prime minister's efforts should go into finding ways of making the project more attractive to British and other European investors.

tunnel, the company that will operate the tunnelonce it is completed, said that the company had not been involved with the letter and had not seen its contents. "We do not have anything to say about it at all." She declined to confirm that Eurotonnel is still seeking a further £800 million out of an extra £2 billion required to complete the project. Eurotunnel has requested extra funds from about 210 banks, many of them Japanese, and is waiting for all of them to respond. Their responses were arriving in dribs and drabs, the spokes woman said. It was hoped that they will all have replied within the next fortnight.

The company has already been granted emergency acso that work on the project can continue for another month while efforts to find extra funding continue. Eurotunnel has been given until the middle of September to raise the additional funds after admitting that it could not million rights issue could be postponed until next year if

the funds are not found. David Shaw, Conservative MP for Dover and a critic of the Channel tunnel project, said that he was not certain that a prime ministerial letter to Mr Kaifn would affect Japanese bankers. He said of Mrs Thatcher's letter: "I think it is unfortunate that it is necessary. The project should not have been started unless the banks were prepared to take all the risks."

associated. It was also rated

the second most socially

scored only by IBM, whose

managing director, Tony Cleaver, is chairman of the

The runners-up in the stu-

dents' overall scores were ICI,

which ranked third as the company with which students

would most like to be associated, and IBM, which will be hiring 250 graduates this year.

Then came BP, Unilever, I

Sainsbury, Rolls-Royce, Shell,

Volvo, Volkswagen and

Tesco, British Telecom failed to win a place in the final ten

in spite of its high rating as a



Filling the gap: Heidl Treichler, from New Hampshire, who will teach at a primary school in Tower Hamlets, east London. She is one of a group of American teachers filling vacancies in the capital. For many, it is their first visit to England, and most have no experience beyond what they have learnt in training

London schools get US reinforcements

Teacher shortages in the capital's schools have led to calls across the Atlantic and groups of American teachers, the largest overseas contingent, have arrived to teach at primary schools in Tower Hamlets, east London, and Islington, north London

Tower Hamlets, which was unable to offer places to 370 school year, has been offering incentive payments and help with housing to attract British teachers. The arrival of 24 Americans to join smaller groups of teachers from Bangladesh and The Netherlands should mean the borough's schools are fully staffed when term starts next week. After a town hall reception. the recruits were taken to the

borough's training centre in Essex to learn about the intricacies of the English education system, subtle differences in language and the needs of a multilingual classroom. Most of the group comes from New York and Boston. Only about one third have teaching experience. For Danielle Carter, straight out of college and from a rural background in Long Island, New York, it is her first trip

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American reinforcements abroad and the first time on opened up a new front yes- the staff of a school. She terday - in London schools, believes that the experience of where a multinational teach- working in London will give ing force is preparing for a her an edge in the more competitive employment

market for teachers at home. At Islington, 31 Americans form part of a contingent of 80 batten Project, in New York. Islington, too, has managed to fill almost all its teaching posts after a campaign costi million in advertising fees and

incentive payment Two teachers in Surrey, meanwhile, are about to be the children at the start of the last first to be made compulsorily redundant. Les Moores and Ben Cook have lost their jobs at Horsell High school, in Woking, and will be un-employed next week at the start of the new term if they

are not redeployed. Mr Moores, a history teacher, and Mr Cook, who teaches technical drawing, are taking their cases to an industrial tribunal. Surrey edu-cation authority said that school governors decided to shed teaching posts to meet their budget, but that no vacancies were available in their subjects.

Teacher unions fear that other cases might come to light by the start of the new term, but no other compulsory redundancies have been re-



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Abandoned islands recalled, 60 years on SIXTY years ago today the ships of growing up on St islanders of St Kilda left their Kilda when its owners, the

orkforce. company with which to be the company was thought associated.

homes for the last time and moved to the mainland, leaving the four-island archipelago west of the Outer Hebrides to be take over by bird colonies and other wildlife.

On August 29, 1930, two the Harebell and Dunara Castle, appeared in Village Bay to remove the islanders, laid low by poverty, hunger and disease. The next day they were sailing for mainland Britain. Last night, Flora Craig, now in her seventies, remembered the hard- by the islanders.

National Trust for Scotland. held an anniversary reception. Mrs Craig watched archive footage of the island when it was still inhabited, and the first screening of the new print of Michael Powell's Edge of the World, a documentary on St Kilda. The islands are a World Heritage site, in recognition of their geology and varied birdlife including gan-

nets, kittiwakes and puffins. Thousands of the birds used to be killed each year for food

Few protests as council secures orders on 400 charge defaulters

A COUSIN of the Queen and a Conservative MP were among more than 500 summonsed for non payment of the poll tax by Westminster city council yesterday.

The case against Gary Waller, MP for Keighley, was withdrawn, however, following intervention by Jean Barraclough, the council's chief revenues officer. Mr Waller, who did not appear in court but was at his desk in the Commons, said that the summons, posted on August 3, had been a mistake. When I realised my name was on the court list for today I rang to check that

the case was to be withdrawn. It was paid some weeks ago, not by me, beause it is not where I live but a place I own,"

Bowes-Lyon, aged 48, appears on the council's records as living in an apartment at a London club. A former paid some weeks ago, not by me, beause it is not where I live but a place I own," Mr Waller, who has paid his poll tax in

his constituency, said John Bowes-Lyon, whose father Major General Sir James Bowes-Lyon was a nephew of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother's father, was also summonsed to appear before Horseferry Road magistrates but did not turn up. Magistrate Terrance Maher said that Mr Bowes-Lyon was among those who had failed to pay the tax of £195. He granted liability orders against him, and more than 400 other Westminster residents, and ordered they each pay £32.50 costs. Mr

director of Sotheby's, he spends much of his time in New York.

Anti poll tax protesters had hoped that lings would be delayed by questions from those summonsed, but just a handful turned up at the court and either volunteered or were persuaded by finance officers to pay up before the

During the hearings, protesters were ejected from the court by Mr Maher after they failed to heed his warnings to be quiet. Julie Donovan, of the All London Anti Poll Tax Federation, said the fact

that Westminster could seek orders against only 500 people in the first batch illustrated that the tax was uncollectable "With three million non payers in London alone it is going to take years to take legal action against all of them," she

The granting of liability orders means the council can begin proceedings to dock the tax from people's wages or send in the bailiffs, Mrs Barraclough said she was surprised and pleased at how smoothly the cases went. "I think it says we have observed the right procedures. The first step now is to make arrangements for payments." Notices of the orders will be sent out within ten days

bailiffs by the end of September.

There was better news on the poli tax front for seaside landladies from Michael Portillo, the junior local government minister, who said yesterday that they would be exempted from paying business rates from next year providing they limited the number of their "paying

The proposal will end the situation where owners of smaller bed and breakfast establishments are liable for both poll tax and business rates on their properties. Mr Portillo said that, from next April, householders offering bed and breakfast accommodation for up to

six people at a time would no longer have to pay business rates, provided they lived on the premises.

At present bed and breakfast establishments can avoid paying business rates only if they open for fewer than 100 days a year. Yesterday's announcement marks the latest move by ministers to ease the twin impact of the poll tax and the new uniform business rate on small

businesses whose owners who have found themselves being taxed twice. Similar concessions for small shop-keepers living "over the shop" were announced as part of the government's review of the poll tax published last

Poll tax adding to debts of poorest families, study says

families into mounting debt,

The survey, for Strathclyde region, suggests that the government's rebate system is failing to deal adequately with payment problems faced by the poor. Yesterday the authority gave a warning that up to 9,000 jobs could be lost as a direct or indirect result of non-

Difficulties in meeting payments are likely to increase in the future as the gap between benefit levels and poll tax bills widens, according to the study. More than 500,000 people in Strathclyde have demic body. It concludes that either paid nothing or are the rebate system, which alseriously in arrears. John lows those on benefits and

PAYMENT of the community charge is driving poorer families into mounting debt, and that the study had serious failing to help many low families into mounting according to an independent study carried out for Europe's ment. "They have consistently pushed the line that it is created greater" the poll tax created greater

> greatest hardship.
> "The words of the government are nothing more than a sham, and the poll tax is an unworkable piece of political legislation. The sooner it is consigned to the political dust-bin, the better." he said.

accountability and that the

rebate system catered for people suffering from the

The £20,000 survey was carried out by the Scottish Foundation for Economic Research, an independent aca-

MP's goods valued by sheriff officers

SHERIFF officers yesterday stone from the back garden forced entry to the home of Richard Douglas, Indepen-dent Labour MP for Dunferm-house after turning the lock, line West, and one of the leading figures in the poll tax non-payment campaign in Scotland (Kerry Gill writes).

The officers, accompanied by the police, broke a glass panel in a door to get into Mr Douglas's home in Auchter-muchty, Fife. The forced entry went ahead to allow the sheriff He said he was taking legal taking average bills to about officers to carry out a advice over the possibility of a £420, because of a projected went ahead to allow the sheriff poinding, the assessment of a future warrant sale. "I wanted debtor's goods before a war- the men out of the house and

He left the Labour party earlier this year because of its refusal to back a non-payment campaign, and is expected to join the Scottish National Party, which favours such a move, before the end of the year. Mr Douglas was in the house with Jean, his wife, when the sheriff officers arrived with two policemen. He refused to admit them through

They then went to the back of the house," Mr Douglas said. "One of the policemen

and started to value my goods. The whole process took about half an hour." The sheriff officers valued a number of items, including a personal computer and compact disc player, to reach £380, the amount owed by Mr Douglas

to Fife Regional Council. ashamed of themselves. They are conducting a nauscating and barbaric exercise to collect this tax," he said.

Kenny MacAskill, SNP spokesman on poll tax, said that the "bully boy behaviour" was an absolute dis-Fife had better start to realise that this is Scotland in the in the Victorian era where such acts of violence and intimidation might have been picked up a piece of paving acceptable."

Dr Alan Sproull, who presented the research paper, said: "We have found that even people with incomes below £60 a week are facing the full tax liability. Six out of ten of the low income households studied for the survey were in debt and liability for the tax was adding to their burden, he said. Almost half of the families were nevertheless up to date with their payments, often with considerable impact on other household spending. The report said: "The sur-

vey results paint a picture of the majority of low income households sinking further into poverty." It said that social security changes were also a factor that had to be taken into consideration. The study also found that the region's more affluent districts were benefiting from the poll tax. Residents in Bearsden and Milngavie, one of the wealthiest suburbs in Scotland, gained by an average of £178 a person a year

Nearly all the 19 districts, however, had lost as result of the switch from rates. Remote rural areas had suffered particularly badly, since their low level of council service was previously compensated for by low rates.

Strathclyde has already said that the poll tax could rise by more than £100 next year. shortfall of £62 million. More than 525,000 people are now rant sale. Mr Douglas has consistently refused to pay the community charge.

He left the Labour party

kept protesting, but if I had in arrears over the tax with touched them I would have been arrested. I think the left the Labour party

Labour authorities ought to be expected in the next few

Strathclyde will probably its services because of the cash shortfall. Recruitment may be slowed or frozen, and equipment and supplies to schools grace. "The Labour party in reduced. Health and social services are also under threat. Charles Gray, the leader of the 1990s. We are no longer living Labour administration, has in the Victorian era where said that the authority is facing the worst financial dilemma he has known during his 32 years in public life.



Rare showing: a painting by Claude Monet, owned by Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother and said to be one of his most important later works, displayed by Norman Rosenthal. exhibitions secretary for the Royal Academy, where it is to go on show

Study of Rocks: Creuse was acquired by the Queen Mother for her private collection in 1949, and was last displayed at an exhibition of the artist's work in Edinburgh in 1956. The work is one of ten in the Creuse Valley series painted by Monet in to the public for the first time in 34 1889, all of which will be on show at years (Simon Tait writes). 1889, all of which will be on show at the exhibition. Monet in the 90s:

The Series Paintings, from next Friday until December 9. It is the first time the complete set will have been seen together since Monet's death in 1926. Mr Rosenthal said: "It is a very exciting painting, arguably the most radical in the series and certainly one of the most radical in the exhibition. The Oneen

Mother bought it when such Monets were not considered important and were rather difficult to sell, so she would not have paid a lot of money for it. One is astenished by her general perception."

More than 100 works printed in a single decade are to be shown in the

Police

murder

Brown, aged 27, who was shot

Firms criticised for

BRITISH companies and the equate." Earlier this year, the government were condemned vesterday for failing to show any interest in selling pollution control equipment to

eastern Europe.

John Haigh, British agent for the exhibition, said that not one of more than 700 British companies approached would be present at the first eastern block trade fair of its kind which is to be held next month at Brno, Czechoslovakia. The 200 companies present will include representatives from West Germany, France, Denmark and

Mr Haigh, who spend 20 years as an exhibitions expert with the trade and industry department, said that during his time there he had seen a gradual decline of government fered today, particularly to

accused the government of destroying Britain's industrial base, said that without an Mr Gill said the lack of

ICL one of the companies which declined to exhibit at Brno, said it was very active in the foreign exhibition field support for British manufac- although it tended to go where

Vets 'should have bigger health role'

By Michael Hornsey, agriculture correspondent

A BIGGER role for veterinary surgeons in ensuring food safety and protecting the public from diseases transmitted by animals was called for at the start of the annual congress of the British Veterinary Association in London vesterday.

In his opening address, Lord Soulsby of Swaffham Prior, head of the clinical veterinary medicine department at Cambridge university, said that veterinary supervision at every stage of the food chain from "conception to consumption" should be the aim.

Such supervision should embrace not only meat hygiene and inspection, but zoonoses (diseases that affect both bumans and animals) and the food production and distribution industries. Vets had to make clear they wanted that wider role, he said.

"The modern food industry should involve the veterinarian from the initial decisions on breeding and production, through transport and slaugh ter and inspection, and beyoud that through subsequent marketing and delivery to the

In an interview, John Bower, the association's president, said that the profession was concerned that veterinarians had been omitted from the Tyrrell committee that is advising the government on the public health implications of the "mad cow" disease, bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE).

"Vets should be routinely epresented on such official bodies. The Tyrrell committee is very heavily weighted to-wards the medical profession. We feel strongly that the vet is the only person competent to say whether an animal up to the point of slaughter is healthy and fit to eat."

Mr Bower welcomed the government's recent announcement that ante-mortem inspection of animals was to be made compulsory at all slaughterhouses from next January, but said he was "very concerned that the quality of inspection is apparently being downgraded by being left to meat inspectors, environmental health officers and other non-veterinarians.

"If they see an abnormal animal, they will have to call in a veterinary surgeon, but that will put a big respon-sibility on people who are not really trained to spot it." The introduction of ante-

mortem inspection will bring British abattoirs into line by 1993 with the more stringent standards required in the resi of the European Community Only ten per cent of British slaughterhouses now meet these standards and many may have to close.

some of the social transformation and spiritual warfare

There are bad spirits, demonic

spirits, and evil spirits." He blamed liberalism for a decline in church attendance, which had left inner cities open to the influence of evil spirits. "There are areas which have been affected by good spirits and areas which have been affected by very bad spirits and therefore bad huAn unemployed man, aged 20, yesterday charged with murdering PC Laurence

customer," he said. dead at point-blank range in Hackney, east London, on Tuesday Mark Gaynor, of no fixed address, was further charged with burglary at a house in Albany Park Avenue, Enfield. north London, on or before August 16, when four shotguns and an air rifle were among items stolen.

Gaynor was handcuffed to a detective during the twominute hearing before Old Street magistrates. Magistrate Miss Dorothy

Quick remanded Gaynor in custody until September 26.

Not before time A new 4cwt hammer was fitted to the clock mechanism

of Big Ben yesterday allowing the 13% ton bell to ring again on the hour. The old hammer was removed after signs of fatigue were found during a regular inspection in March, and for the past six months the chimes were heard on the quarter- and half-hours only.

Sacking upheld Three pall bearers, dismissed for mixing up two bodies in a

mortuary, lost their appeal for unfair dismissal yesterday at an industrial tribunal in Ashford, Kent William Cook, of Ightham, William Parsons, of West Wickham, and Andrew McNeill, of Farnborough, all Kent, had claimed that a rival firm switched the identity

Tree to be felled A 150-year-old horse chestnut

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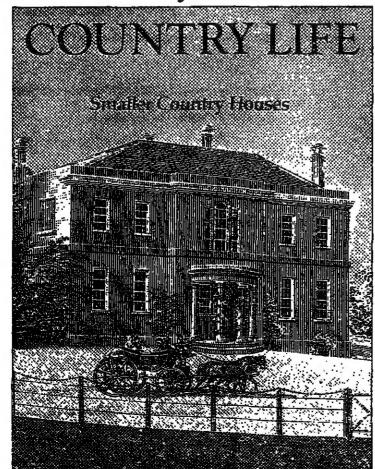
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A 150-year-old horse chestnut must be felled within 14 days, a High Court judge ruled yesterday after being told that Peter Elliott, who wants the tree removed because it is damaging his property, had been harassed since he sought to have it cut down. Islington council, north London, said it would do its best to comply.

Dangerous owl

A Great European eagle owl is being hunted after it escaped yesterday from a house in Sutton, south London. Police said: "It stands 3ft tall and has a 6st wing span. We know it kills cats and dogs, by ripping them apart with its claws. We are worried for the safety of pets and indeed small

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missing export fair By TIM JONES, EMPLOYMENT CORRESPONDENT

Australia.

department told Mr Haigh that it could not help companies to display at the exhibition as funds for such events had been used up for the financial year. Ken Gill, general secretary of the Manufacturing, Science and Finance union, which has

industrial strategy, manufac-turing industry would fall into an even more serious decline. interest was staggering, particularly in view of this week's CBI report which said that exports are falling.

turers to encourage export. the markets are, in "The level of assistance of continential Europe, north fered today, particularly to America and the Pacific basin. small companies, to display It also said that it was in-their wares and fight for volved in production in eastexport orders is totally inad- ern Europe.

Anglicans boycott March for Jesus in dispute on ideology

By RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS REPORTER

"March for Jesus" because of institutions. the extreme views of some of the marchers on demonology. exorcism and evil spirits. Senior churchmen are concerned that some marchers believe that parts of some cities and certain companies have become "demonised" and fear the marchers will attempt to exorcise those "demons". Graham Kendrick, the pop-

ular gospel songwriter and singer, will tonight lead a of Christian walkers from Holyhead in Anglesey, Gywnedd, on the first leg of a march towards the East coast. More than 250.000 Christians across the United Kingdom are expected to take part in 800 other marches on Sat-

Gerald Coates, one of the organisers, said last night that it was his belief that some British companies and institutions had become not simply marches of witness "demonised". "If you do not but aimed at "reclaiming" give adequate spiritual leader- demonised institutions. Their ship, areas and institutions letter urged Anglicans to can become overtaken by other forces." He said, how- they should identify themever, that talk of corporate selves with such goals. exorcism was "sheer non-

SOME Anglicans have refused sense" and that the march was vicar of St Michael-le-Belfry to take part in a nationwide not intended to "deliver" the in York, said a march through Prebendary Michael ruled out "on practical Saward, vicar of St Mary's, grounds". He added: "I have

Ealing, and a member of the Church of England Evangelical Council, said his church had been invited to take part in the march but had refused. They were concerned to know whether or not there is some element of alleged corporate demonisation of the institutions in our society and whether or not the march in some sense of other is meant to be an attempt to exorcise that demonisation".

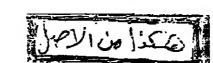
In a recent letter to the Church of England Newspaper Mr Saward, a prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral, and the other ten members of his team expressed concern that an extremist view of demonology lay at the heart of the official march theology. They said they feared the marches were weigh up carefully whether

The Rev Graham Cray,

the centre of York had been no reason to doubt the motivation or integrity of the people involved, many of whom I know personally. I am very happy that a few months before the launch of the decade of evangelism there will be large-scale public acts of witness by Christians in many cities and towns.
"What I question is whether

teaching that some people have associated with this sort of thing is valid in terms of what the Bible says." Mr Coates said: "There are good spirits which come from God, Heaven, the Holy Spirit.

man influences."



Russian party's threat to Soviet leadership fades

political influence of the new congress. Russian Federation Communist party would have been dispelled yesterday by the party's first control of the choice of Mr while the choice of Mr eliably reported to have control of the choice of th party's first secretary, Ivan party's first secretary, Ivan verted far from all the doubt-Polozkov, giving his first Mosers in his party. In Moscow cow press conference for six yesterday, a still optimistic but weeks. This was not because Mr Polozkov, a reputed conservative, showed any spedivided party. cial zeal for reform, but because the Russian Communist party, which was established in June to satisfy demands of Russians for their own party organisation, is running into difficulty before

it has even got off the ground. With the second half of its founding congress due to start next Tuesday, the party still have chosen to leave the party has only one permanent official, its elected first secretary, Mr Polozkov; it has no budget of its own; its central committee is incomplete and at than to the Russian party - a

ANY concern the Soviet least 16 congress delegates practical impossibility now all leadership might have felt have said they will not be party members are automati-about the potentially malign attending next week's cally members of a republic

careworn Mr Polozkov con-Mr Polozkov had the good

fortune to inherit a readymade party of more than 10 million members - all those communists who live in the Russian Federation. But that does not mean he will keep them. In Moscow, Leningrad and several other cities, sophisticated urban reformers completely. In some places they are still debating the possibility of belonging to the central Soviet party rather

blamed for restricting the appeal of the new party, however, this is only one of the reasons for its difficulties. Its main handicap is that it was founded when the influence of the Communist party on the uppermost Soviet life was already in decline, and just before it was eclipsed

almost entirely.

Over the summer, careerists have recognised that the party is no longer the route to power or security; idealists. contemplating the devastation around them, have by and large found themselves other ideals. Those full-time party officials with a choice have moved over to work in the soviets or local governments.

The seven weeks since the uperficially triumphant close of the 28th congress of the Soviet Communist party have seen a crucial, yet unpubli-cised, shift in the centre of Soviet power, from the party to the state presidency and the governments and parliaments of the republics.

The shift was inherent in the restructuring of the party politburo and secretariat and the transfer of all important ministers from the politburo into the presidential council. Only now, however, is it apparent how thoroughly the party, at national level, if not in the regions, has been

pushed into the background. In recent weeks the Soviet leadership has been confronted with two immediate dilemmas: its policy in the Gulf and its economic future. In neither of these had the party played any role. Armenian emergency: The

parliament in the southern Soviet republic of Armenia declared a state of emergency yesterday after Viktor Aivazyan, a parliamentary deputy, was shot dead before

dawn. Alexander Arzumanyan, a spokesman for the Armenian National Movement, said 170 deputies voted in favour of imposing a curfew from 10pm to 6am and of banning demonstrations. There were no votes against and only two

abstentions.
Mr Arzumanyan said Mr group of activists to the headquarters of the Armenian National Army, the largest of several armed militias in Armenia, to discuss a dispute at a petrol station.

"Without any explanation the group was fired on," Mr Arzumanyan said by telephone from Yerevan, the Armenian capital. Mr Aivazyan and an activist were killed and another man was seriously wounded.

ional Army is declared an illegal organisation and was ordered to give up its arms by 10pm yesterday. (Reuter)



People's war: a peasant child in Ayacucho examining the home-made shotgun held by her father, a member of a Peruvian civil defence group fighting the Shining Path rebels during a state of emergency which has been extended since the deaths of 30 people in political violence

Bonn agrees to grant immunity for spies from East Germany

spied for East Germany in the states. West are to be guaranteed freedom from prosecution after unification with West Germany, Markus Wolf, the former head of the country's intelligence service, said yesterday. "As far as I am aware an agreement has now been reached with the authorities in the federal republic that no measures will be taken against us," he said. "This is the solution which I consider to be just and essential if we are to preserve inner peace in the unified Germany." Diplomatic sources con-

firmed that plans to track down former East German agents had been shelved. "It would set loose a witch hunt of endless enquiries and suspicion which would be very damaging to political stability," one official said.

The matter of how to deal with the 4,000 agents thought to have been active in the West is the most difficult

THOUSANDS of agents who between the two German He said he was unwilling to London. "Unfortunately we The West German public Peter Diestel, the East Gerprosecutor's office has accepted that East Germans who spied in good faith for their talk about his future. country cannot be tried for treason under West German ever, less keen to extend law, reversing the legal

> make dawn arrests of former spies as had been envisaged. This decision has enraged

the West German security service for whom Herr Wolf was an elusive prize throughtically known as the Aufklarung (the enlightenment). A warrant for the arrest of

Herr Wolf for high treason, punishable by five to ten years in prison, still stands in West vestige of 40 years of enmity repealed before unification. in Britain in 1986 for spying in have recently swung his way.

risk accepting the offer of man interior minister, to take him to Bonn under guard to

The authorities are, howexemption from prosecution assumption of the past four to West German citizens such decades. This also means that as Hans-Joachim Tiedge, the the unification celebrations at highly placed civil servant midnight on October 3 will who spied for East Germany. not be marred by West Ger- They are subject to federal law man police driving over the and a bitter debate is in no longer extant border to progress on whether they should also escape trial.

Herr Wolf, who has sworn never to betray the agents who worked for him, said that their prosecution would be "out of step with the spirit of out his 30 years at the head of reconciliation and the end of the department, euphemis- the Cold War". He confirmed tions was raised earlier in the that Wolfgang Vogel, the lawyer who administered his spy swaps, is working on the

have no spies left to swap them for," be joked. Western spies in the East were released in a general amnesty earlier this year.

These days Herr Wolf is an admired public figure in East Berlin and has shaken off the more dubious aspects of his 30 years as head of the intelligence service to acquire a new image as the spy with a heart. James Bond could not have charmed his way out of trouble better," one West German security expert said. Despite his reincarnation as

an author and reformer. Herr Wolf still possesses a disruptive potential which Bonn is anxious not to put to the test. When the subject of prosecuvear, he embarked on a campaign emphasising the negative effects of a spy bunt so release of East German spies successfully that significant numbers of political leaders, The spies include Sonia and including Helmut Kohl, the

High castes

Police use tear gas on **Albanians**

Pristina - Yugoslav riot police wielded batons and fired tear gas to disperse thousands of ethnic Albanians awaiting a US congressional delegation to complain about human rights abuses. About 10,000 protesters gathered in front of a city hotel where the lican senators was expected to hold talks with dissident leaders of Kosovo province's ethnic Albanian majority. (.4P)

Plan welcomed Bangkok - Cambodian

guerrillas have welcomed an ambitious United Nations' peace plan but said they must resolve quarrels with the Vietnamese-installed government which will govern before elections. (AP)

Farm protest Paris - Farmers throughout

France's agricultural regions blocked roads, dumped manure outside administrative buildings and set free dozens of sheep in a national day of and beef prices. (AFP)

Tornado toll

Crest Hill, Illinois - Tornadoes tore through several towns in the north of this American state, killing as many as 26 people and destroying homes, a high school and a block of flais, authorities said. (AFP)

Semtex scent

Prague - Czechoslovak police have trained dogs to sniff out Semtex explosive, once a virtually undetectable weapon of terrorists. Mlada fronta. a daily paper, said alsatians could find the explosive in 2 building, a car, or on a person. (Reuter)

Murder hunt

Gainesville, Florida - Police have stepped up the hunt in this terrified American university town for the "maniac on the loose" who killed and mutilated five students in the

Sixty injured

wages. (Reuter)

Rescue raid for Pretoria 'agent'

From GAVIN BELL IN JOHANNESBURG

violent altercation at a pressconference, the exposure of an alleged spy and his rescue by armed police led to the arrest of South African trade union leaders on charges of kidnap and theft.

The incident on Tuesday began when officials of the black Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosani) spotted a man acting suspiciously outside its Johannesburg headquarters. When they approached him they found he had a walkie-talkie and photographs of Geraldine Jocelyn, a senior member of the South African Communist party, which has offices in the same

The man, who gave his name as Joseph Maleka, said he had been hired by a policeman three days earlier movements. At a hastily convened press conference in Cosatu's offices, he said he had been offered 500 rands arrest her ... I needed the

monev." he said. The man was persuaded by journalists to call bis superiors on the walkie-talkie. The radio crackled, and a voice said: "Where are you?" - "Inside National Acceptance House (Cosatu's offices)." - "What are you doing there?" -"Talking to Cosatu." - "Who are they ... what's going on?"

An altercation then developed with African National Congress members who accused Mr Maleka of being an essassin, and journalists saw him being hit with a wooden stave and punched on the taken to scrap the Group chin. About six hours after Mr Areas Act, which governs Maleka was detained, an elite where people of different races police unit led by a general may live.

BIZARRE events involving a and two brigadiers entered the building, led him away, and arrested Cosatu's top officials. A police spokesman said they had acted to rescue a police constable who had been abducted and held against his

> secretary-general, Sydney Ma-gamadi, his assistant, and Baba Schalk of the organisation's media section later appeared in the Johannesburg magistrates' court. No forma charges were preferred and the October 3. Bail was set at

Richard Spoor, appearing for the three, said: "It's not quite clear what the charges are. At first I was informe they were kidnap and theft of the walkie-talkie; now I understand they have been reduced to monitor Miss Jocelyn's to abduction, which is less

Mr Naidoo told reporters he and the other two had wished merely to expose clandestine (£100). "He (the policeman) activity which they feared told me that they wanted to might have presaged an

Miss Jocelyn, an activist of the ANC and the Communist party, who returned to South Africa last month, said she was aware of having been under police surveillance, and feared for her life.

Open city: The Johannes burg city council has voted to allow people of all races to live wherever they wish in what is South Africa's largest city. The decision has no legislative authority and would have to be ratified by the government. President de Klerk has under-

Under the emergency leg-islation, the Armenian Nat-



accusing them of provoking the arson attack on the party's headquarters on Sunday. In particular the party

blamed Dr Konstantin Tren-

Signs of unrest are continuing throughout Bulgaria. From next week sugar, oil. paper and detergent will be rationed in the capital, an

nefficient state enterprises are finding it difficult to pay their employees' wages. As prices of essential goods more than double, the average Bulgarian wage of £250 a month looks increasingly little on which to survive on. Police demonstrate: More than 3,000 Bulgarian police, some in riot gear, others on

horseback and motorcycles or leading police dogs, dem-onstrated in central Sofia yesterday, to demand the resignation of their commanders. A spokesman said they were protesting against criticism of their failure to prevent the burning of the former Communist party headquarters. One of the policemen read a proclamation calling for the resignation of incompetent

independent police force. "Police action on Sunday was ineffective because of unprofessional leadership," proclamation

commanders and a politically

strike over jobs pledge From Christopher Thomas IN DELHI

MUCH of northern India was in turmoil yesterday as high-Unemployment is rising caste Indians stepped up their rapidly. According to Prod-krepa, more than 15 per cent

protests against government plans to reserve millions of of the workforce will be jobless obs for low castes. There are by the end of the year. Many increasing signs of cabinet divisions over the scheme. Delhi's government schools have been ordered to close for

the rest of the week. The city's buses were withdrawn yesterday because so many have had their windows smashed Courts were paralysed when lawyers went on strike, and large numbers of factories closed. Trading was sus-pended on the Delhi Stock Exchange when brokers stopped work. There is increasing specula-

tion about a winter general election as V. P. Singh, the prime minister, presses ahead with populist measures. He pledged that, despite the prolests, he would go ahead with the plan to reserve 27 per cent of government jobs for low castes. Mr Singh is being widely criticised for basing his plan on caste rather than economic need, since members of high castes can also be poor. But, in general, caste defines economic status.

past four days. (AP)

Chittagong — At least 60 women were injured in Bangladesh when police with batons charged factory work-ers demonstrating for higher

Officials quit

Knala Lumpur - Five prominent Malaysians have quit a multiracial economic council directed by Mahathir Mohamed, the prime minister, to frame an economic

Peace hopes rise in Mohawk land row

From JOHN BEST IN OTTAWA

hawk Indian warriors and Canadian troops at two locations in Quebec province can be resolved peacefully.

Informal negotiations were held on Tuesday at Dorval, near Montreal. On Tuesday night Billy Two Rivers, an Indian chief, emerged saying that a tentative agreement had been reached whereby the Mohawks would dismantle the barricades they had put up. A federal government spokesman said a peaceful resolution could be achieved within a day or two".

Nevertheless, an army force of 2,000 troops continued preparations for an assault on heavily fortified Mohawk positions at Oka. Quebec, and on the south shore of the St Lawrence river at Montreal.

The army was ordered on Monday to dismantle the positions, after the federal and Quebec governments said that negotiations aimed at settling a dispute with the Mohawks had broken down. The dispute started as a quarrel over an Indian land claim at Oka but turned into an armed standoff between Mohawk warriors and, first, Quebec provincial police, and later the army.

Lieutenant-General Kent Foster, commander of Canada's 5th infantry brigade, said in St Hubert, near Montreal, on Tuesday that he was determined to fulfil the mandate given him by the govern-ment to dismantle ludian barricades. He would do so in a non-violent way if he could, but was prepared for battle if peaceful means failed.

In Monureal on Tuesday

A GLIMMER of hope arose about 500 residents threw yesterday that an armed stones and pieces of concrete confrontation between Mo- at a convoy of cars carrying Mohawk families out of an Indian reserve on the St Lawrence south shore. The residents were venting their fury at a seven-week Mohawk blockade of a busy bridge.

Trip postponed: Michel Rocard, the French prime minister, is postponing a trip to Canada next week, Canada's external affairs department said. The Globe and Mail of Toronto said Robert Bourassa, the Quebec pre-mier, had asked for the postponement because of the confrontation involving the



Family vigil: relatives watching rescuers bring out the bodies of about 150 miners known to have died in an explosion at Kreka coalmine in Yugoslavia last Sunday

Purple House puts a capitalist tinge to socialist romance

From Catherine Sampson in Peking

THE master of ceremonies shouts cheerfully into the microphone at the nervous couple in front of him, the bride in fally white and the groom in black suit and white gloves. "Li Lei and Hu Lin, will you abide by birth control policies

and give birth to just one baby?" The bride (tittering) and groom make a deep bow towards each other in acquiescence, and wedding guests who have been sipping orange squash through straws and nibbling peanuts burst into applause and delighted laughter. This is a wedding ceremony as theatre; socialist romance Purple House

Li Lei and Hu Lin's wedding day had dawned rainy and grey, but they knew that for two thousand yuan (1238) the Purple House would take care of everything. The Purple House is the first comprehensive marriage services centre in China, and was established recently as an entrepreneurial sideline by the Peking Textile Bureau on the principle that weddings and wedding presents involve a lot of

"One man came to watch a ceremony here and he wept," says Cao Sulin, the deputy manager, elegant in beige silk and pearls. "He said that he had got married during the Cultural Revolution, and all he'd received as wedding presents were ten copies of the works of Chairman Mao."

Those days are past, but however extravagant the wedding ceremony, it is tailored to fit in with present polices. "We've had to cut out a lot of feudalistic practices, of course," says Mrs Cao. "The groom used to hold an arrow against the chest of his bride to kill any bad luck in her, and guests used to put peanuts in the bridal quilt to wish a couple many sons and many daughters. Of course these are no longer appropriate, especially now we have the onechild policy."

The government has been urging people to spend less on weddings, saying they are a waste of money. The Purple House will do weddings as simple or as elaborate as you ask, but claims that it is far cheaper than a reception in a big hotel. Li Lei and Hu Lin's 2,000 yuan package does include lunch for 50

"We don't make much of a profit," says Mrs Cao. "This is really a social service. Now that our country is reforming and opening up, and people's standard of living is on the rise, we think it is right that they should have a wedding to

remember. That way they'll take their marriage seriously."

The centre opened at the end of June, and there was just one wedding last month because, says Mrs Cao, it was too hot to get married. This month there have been ten weddings, ranging in price from 900 to 4,000 yuan. The average monthly wage is about 200 yuan, and both families share the cost of most weddings.

The Purple House leaves no stone unturned. As Li Lei and Hu Lin walk arm in arm into the hall in what was once a Textile Bureau office, they are preceded by a flower girl in pink, scattering petals from a basket. The wedding march swells from a cassette player. A cameraman video-tapes the ceremony. In fact, the couple may have signed the marriage certificate up to a year earlier, but they only live together once they have held this

A photographer captures the wedding group in poses, but the photographs are deceptive. The bride and groom had never set eyes on the best man, let alone the bridesmaid and pageboy, before they came to the Purple House. They are all part of the package. The best man works at the Purple House during his university holiday. The bridesmaid and pageboy

are hired from a local kindergarten. The children take it in turn there to make a little extra pocket money by dressing up in a miniature wedding dress and Western suit, learning to hold the bride's train, and look angelic for a few hours.

One can book a honeymoon through the Purple House, or stay in a bridal suite there. A couple can have a dance party, order a banquet, or hold a poetry reading to celebrate their wedding. On the ground floor the Purple House store stocks wedding presents. Upstairs, are wedding gowns for hire; a make-up artist tends to the faces of bride and groom alike. In October, the Mining Bureau has booked a collective wedding and honeymoon for ten couples. Weddings are big business in

China and, while the government urges restraint, the Peking Textile Bureau is unlikely to be the last government department to get in on the act. "The Civil Affairs Bureau would like to go into business with us," says Mrs Cao. 'After all, couples have to go to them to sign the marriage certificates, so when they go there, the Civil Affairs bureau could suggest they came here to hold the

The anatomy of hatred

Conor Cruise O'Brien

have been attending a con-ference in Oslo called "The Anatomy of Hate: Resolving Conflict through Dialogue and Democracy". The conference is under the joint auspices of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity and the Norwegian Nobel Committee. Really, it's all Elie Wiesel. Elie is one who can call spirits from the vasty deep, and they do come when he calls: Jimmy Carter, Nelson Mandela, François Mitterrand, Vaclav Havel, Adam Michnik and many other notables.

The subject matter remained elusive. If hate was present, it did not make itself known. This is the kind of conference where people have to be nice, as one speaker said, gloomily. The conference discussed the Middle East, South Africa, Eastern and Central Europe. South Africa and the Middle East had a tendency to everlap. Nelson Mandela was challenged over ANC support for the proposition "Zionism equals racism". He did not defend the proposition or deny that the ANC supports it. He said that he accepts
Zionism "if that just means that
Israel has a right to exist". If it
means that Israel has a right to rule over the populations of the West Bank and Gaza, he could not accept it any more than apartheid.

His critics subsided. Unlike some of the other stars, who stayed only for their own acts. Mandela remained throughout the proceedings, listening attentively to long discussions with nothing directly to do with South Africa. This was impressive. Famous politians are not good listeners.

Hate remained elusive. There were one or two attempts at definition. Hate is the child of fear"; "hate is a way of appealing to be loved". Most of us were dubious about both of these, especially the second. Several speakers made only perfunctory reference to the nominal theme of the conference, before stating their views on their particular regional

Vaciav Havel was an outstanding exception. He delivered a carefully prepared and profound analysis of hate. He started by reciting common characteristics "those who hate me personally": "They are never hollow, empty, passive, indifferent, apathetic people. Their hatred always seems to me the expression of a large and unquenchable longing, a permanently unfulfilled and unfulfillable desire, a kind of desperate ambition. In other words, it's an active inner capacity that is always leading the person to fixate on something, always pushing him in a certain direction, and is in a sense stronger than he is. I certainly don't think hatred is the mere absence of love or humanity. in common with love, the fixation on others, the dependence on them, and the delegation of a piece nearest we have to an answer.

of one's own identity to them. Just as a lover longs for the loved one and cannot get along without him, the hater longs for the object of this hatred. And like love, hatred is ultimately an expression that has become tragically inverted."

I tried that out mentally on the haters I myself know best: those Irish people who hate the English. The first three sentences fit perfectly, and maybe the rest does too. I don't know the people concerned well enough to say. Another sentence of Havel's is equally true: "In the subconscious of the haters there slumbers a perverse feeling that they alone are the true possessors of truth, that they are some kind of superhumans or even gods, and thus deserve the world's complete recognition, even its complete submissiveness and loyalty."

"Superhuman" is right. Haters are. I believe, a kind of natural aristocracy among the deprived. Most of the deprived are not capable of a collective hate; maybe of any kind of hate. They can muster no more than a vague and dim resentment. Hate is resent-ment raised to its highest level and it is therefore inherently impressive to the merely resentful. One of the reasons why it is impressive is that it is frightening. Mere resentment is passive. But resentment raised to the level of hate is active and dangerous. When a hater talks, the merely resentful listen respectfully. Hate confers authority. Haters know this.

What can be done about hate? Our conference shed absolutely no light on this. This was partly my fault because I was keynote speaker for the panel on managing regional conflicts through dialogue and democracy. The note I struck was highly negative. I mentioned the case of Neville Chamberlain, a democratic leader who managed a regional conflict over Czechoslovakia by dialogue with Adolf Hitler and reported the result as "peace in our time".

The Oslo conference was an international exchange of un-usually high quality. But like all conferences, it suffered from a tendency to assume that dialogue is necessarily good. Hate too is effective in dialogue, and perhaps more articulate than love. Iago destroys Desdemona and Othello through dialogue.

Discussion is not a good way to cope with hate, since the hater is. almost by definition, impervious to argument. When hate is a major factor in an international situation, it will either prevail or have to be forcibly restrained. Dialogue alone will not oust Saddam Hussein from Kuwait

"I have no answer to hate." said Elie Wiesel at the end of the Oslo conference. It was a sobering conclusion, for no one alive has tooked harder for that answer of had more reason to look for it. Perhaps the quest itself is the

Robin Oakley, political editor, sees Kinnock offering himself as a hostage to fortune

Gulf debate that could hurt Labour

o world situation was so bad, it used to be said of Eisenhower's secretary of state, John Foster Dulles, that a few well chosen words from him could not make it a hundred times worse. Others have been inclined to regard the intervention of our House of Commons in the same light. But a recall of Parliament to discuss the Gulf crisis, in response to Neil Kinnock's demand, now looks inevitable.

Parliament has been recalled during the recess several times in recent years. It happened in 1968 after the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia and in the same year over expenditure cuts in Britain. MPs were dragged back from their holidays in both 1971 and 1974 over outbreaks of violence in Northern Ireland. There was a recall in January 1974 to discuss the power cuts and the three-day week.

Opposition demands for a recall are not always met. It is for the government and the Speaker to decide. But ministers have not been noticeably discouraging to the idea and the Speaker is known to favour a recall. However, it may not be swift. Mrs Thatcher will not

she returns from Finland, and Mr Kinnock agreed yesterday that it would be sensible to wait until Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, completes his six-day trip to the Gulf beginning tomorrow.

We cannot expect the high drama of that Saturday in April 1982 when the Commons met in emergency session to discuss the invasion of the Falklands. This time there are no ministerial resignations in the air, no questions of government competence. Britain's role is at best a secondary one. Nor indeed has there been any dramatic news making a recall more pressing than it was three weeks ago. The only thing that has changed since then, some cynical Tories suggest, is that Mr Kinnock has finished his holiday in Tuscany. Yesterday he said simply that he did not want the Gulf crisis to move too far into its second month without a debate.

But in fairness it can be said - as some Tories admitted yesterday that the build-up of American arms will shortly reach the point where a choice can be made between the long haul of sanctions and an immediate military strike. letest ministerial thinking. Recall of Parliament would

raise the political temperature in what could be the run-up year to an election, but it may not bring to an end the strange phoney war that has characterised domestic politics this August Political correspondents telephones have been silent as shadow ministers and publicity-hungry junior ministers have reined back, clearly feeling that there is something indecorous about inter-party slanging matches while the world is trembling on the brink and hostages are sweating in the Gulf. Even when MPs face each other across the chamber, the debate could prove

Noticeable in Mr Kinnock's approach is his insistence that the government has done exactly what done, that the debate will be calm and rational, emphasizing the ensus between the parties. Parliament does not just meet, he said, for a barney. Diplomatic efforts and economic sanctions will make no impression on a man like Saddam Hussein without a willingness to use force in defence

of Saudi Arabia. Concessions to the Irani leader would be used to his advantage, not to ensure an acceptable outcome.

By drawing attention to the kind of crisis that is usually an advantage for any government, a debate now is likely to create more problems for the Opposition than for Mrs Thatcher. As a minister said yesterday: "This could be the catalyst we need to provide a Gulf factor which so far has been missing in the polis."

In the face of an outside threat, voters tend to rally to the government of the day, and if Parliament meets and Labour merely echoes the government's line, it will only enhance Mrs Thaucher's status as a world statesman. Yet the Opposition will have the worst of both worlds if it agrees in principle but whinges about government actions in detail.

And Labour faces the danger that reporting in some papers will focus not on responsible prononncements from the front bench but on the contributions of party mavericks perhaps demanding the withdrawal of foreign forces from Saudi Arabia or a softer line in shortly before the Commons went into recess was an example of the problems that can occur, with Labour backbenchers repudiating the party's carefully crafted new

defence policy.

Mrs Thatcher, who will be expected to make a rare debating appearance in the Commons, will have to nead carefully. Tory stategists are well aware of cripicism that she is looking anxiously for a new Falklands factor, and she must ensure that she is not seen as exploiting the confrontation. So far she has been content to stay in the wings while Douglas Hurd has held centre stage, but a full-dress Commons debate may prove too much of a temptation.

Gerald Kanfman, Labour's foreign affairs spokesman, will find it harder still to curb his habitual curling of the lip, and if Labour does start to worry away at the differences between Britain and the Americans (notably over the advisability of a pre-emptive strike once the full American force is in place), Mr Kinnock risks rapidly damaging the improved image so carefully built up in America before and during his

A pantomime dragon, but its venom will surely kill

something of a debate in umns of this newspaper. together with leading articles, concerning the Welsh language, its teaching and its future. However, one or two rather significant matters were omitted from the discussion, and it shall be my task today to repair the omissions. Let us begin with a single fact.

Four-fifths of the population of Wales do not speak Weish, and show no sign at all of wanting to. (The Welsh television channel is regularly watched by 17 people. and occasionally by anything up to another 168.) That is hardly surprising; it is a beautiful language (though all that Druid stuff is as bogus as the Scottish tartans. and possibly even more so), but of no use elsewhere and practically none in Wales itself, not least because of the absurdities foisted on an ancient tongue to accommodate modern terms. As for the idiocy of bilingual road-signs. bilingual forms, bilingual railway stations, bilingual post offices, bilingual shopfronts, bilingual surnames, bilingual shoe-sizes and for all I know bilingual swearwords, they provide a permanent warning to governments that appearement is all very well when what is being appeased is comic. but that in matters of this kind what is comic rapidly becomes

very uncomic indeed. The fact that only a small proportion of Welsh people speak Welsh has brought into existence yet another form of the single issue fanatic; this one demands that all the children of the principality be taught Welsh. The precedent is the Irish Republic. Gaelic lessons there became compulsory many years ago, and the effect was twofold: it ensured that today the great majority of the population hate their own beautiful language and flatly refuse to read or speak it, and it has contributed substantially, because of the entrenched resentfulness and the waste of time that could have gone to more useful lessons, to Ireland's backwardness.

That, of course, does not much trouble the Weish SIFs, and the unwillingness of most Welsh people to learn Welsh troubles them even less. For what have the wishes of the people got to do with it? The SIFs have spoken, and compulsory Welsh teaching must be introduced. But that is not the worst; the SIFs have now moved

Bernard Levin finds the new brand of Welsh extremism absurd and pointless-and threatening in its fanaticism

on, in the usual way of those who have savoured the rich scent of appeasement and are eager for more: now they want all lessons to be conducted in Welsh. They have had their way, so far only in one area, and not all children, but their lust for power grows with what it feeds on, and having fed on Peter Walker it will soon be taking substantial bites out of David Hunt. The result will be, and could hardly not be, a deterioration of the quality of learning among the children suffering from this fanatic folly, but that will not worry those who instituted it - long before the results are apparent they will have moved on to the next stage of their campaign to turn Wales into a kind of Third World satrapy, where they can indulge their fantasies in reality, and enact fearsome penalties for

those who defy them. But a new and far more dan-gerous Welsh form of SIF has now appeared, for whom lessons in trigonometry given in Welsh to

monoglot English-speaking schoolchildren is mere trifling these people, soon, are going to kill. They base themselves (down to the very uniform and dark glasses) on the IRA, and have the same fascistic outlook, beliefs and psychopathy. They call themselves "Meibion Glyndwr" or some such rubbish (it is supposed to mean "The Sons of Glendower"), and they have specialised in arson and bombing.

There was a similar campaign about 10 years ago. That petered out, largely because there was no substantial base of sympathy among the peaceful, even though nationalistic, Welsh population. It was the same admirable attitude, of course, which - at much the same time - crushed the noisy but empty campaign of separatism when its advocates were so ig-nominiously crushed in the referendum. But this time, the SIFs of violence are even more inward-looking; they care nothing for enlisting the sympathy of the

Welsh people, who, in the fantasy world they have constructed, will be as much their helots as the English usurpers.

But crazed as they may be, they

are made not only of words. A correspondent who has sent me information on these people emphasised, twice, the importance of my not revealing his name or whereabouts. (Though, In-cidentally, he is a Welshman of 150 years Welsh descent.) There have been injuries in the terrorist campaign, and it will not be long before there are deaths too; if you think I am exaggerating, read the letters in the Western Mail, the leading Wales-published daily newspaper. Here is a boyo, D.P. Williams by name, cheering on the bombers from his tremendously dangerous place in the newspaper's pages:

.. Whenever an attack takes place, somewhere in our hearts a flame rekindles, pardon the pun...After an arson attack the...immer joy of hearing news of such an incident...has recently become an open speech of support... We proclaim "it's time for more hard-line necies"... Sad, indeed, that we do have to resort to violence, but ... the "cowardly minority" and the "terrorist bombers" are one heroes, our lest and only hope ... lest and only hope . . .

This fierce little fellow drew a reply a few days later from Menna and Ceri Jones and Hazel Morgan even bester, it seems, are the mbers' hurridans):

We are three of those thou-sands who feel deep pride deep down in our hearts every time a holiday home...is attacked...It is not property alone that should be a target. we could name dozens of persons that endanger our rights to live in a true Weistr

his forming rubbish can-not be dismissed; bombs have been thrown, houses and shops burnt down.
There was a popular cafe, named of Sospen (The Saucepan); it was sold, and the new owners -English - renamed it Allo, Allo, it fred by Mr D.P. Williams, the was that by changing the name, the new owners "were disrespectful of Wales and the Welsh". The tone at once gives the clue;

it is the authentic snivel of the failure looking for an excuse. I doubt if the Treasury could tot up is less than six months the millions that have been poured into Wales (the Welsh television changel was perhaps the most extreme form of entirely pointless Danegeld) but those who preferred to pretend that their lack of success was all the fault of the English are now having the time of their dried-up lives urging on the bombers. Such people long for a thrill, though they have forgotten what a thrill feels like; the bangs and flames in the night thicken for a moment their poor, thin blood. whereupon the thought of real blood being shed somewhere else by others gives them a feeling that they are doing something to drive out the hated sais.

Incidentally, Owen Glendower (he whom the bombers claim to be the sons of) was a singularly absurd figure, not above giving himself toy titles, starting with Prince of Wales. The English mopped him up in no time.

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some work in south-west France, I booked into the Novotel at Bordeaux airport; my flight was due in at 23.05, and though French hotels are pretty relaxed about people who turn up unexpectedly, always seeming to find a bed and bath for about £20, it occurred to me that this might not pertain after midnight. So a few evenings before departure I waited until after 8pm when rates are lower (yes, I also used to think it was opm until I got my bill), dialled the number and said "I am speaking from London", which concentrates the minds of foreign telephonists.

'A little moment," she said. and passed me to a receptionist. "I need a room, do you have

on the 24th?" For one night, the lady at Novotel said, it is no trouble: "Pouvez vous faxer?" Keep your voice down, I told her: my wife is in the other room. She gave me a fax number and I sent confirm reservation Freud 24th" and received a few inches of typed lines from my machine to intimate that Station Freud had successfully spent 19 seconds in communication with Novotel's fax. I could have used up another five seconds asking it to reconfirm receipt of my confirmation of the booking ... but Novotel and I have both been in the business a while and this belt-and-braces exercise

seemed a waste of time. This is not another tale of disastrous aerial voyaging: we took off a few minutes late, flew south, arrived a few minutes late and by travelling with only hand luggage I got through the formalities at speed, to spend 20 minutes with the Hertz woman, who laboriously translated each item of my driving licence onto her hire document. So it came about that as I reached the hotel it was to see a heavily suitcased couple from my plane emerge from a taxi and reach reception before me. It was midnight. There was a single clerk on

duty. I settled for a longish wait. "I am Mr Clwyd," said the man with the luggage. lighting a cigarette; his wife nodded, possibly implying that she was Mrs Clwyd, "I shall spell that."

"Oui are foule," said the "C.L.W.Y.D," spelt the man.

"N'eau rheum." said the clerk. "The computer, it is broken.

Mr Clywd puffed at his cigarette and said: "Let's be reasonable about this. I booked. You confirmed. I am here. My taxi has gone. My wife is tired -fatigue-like." Mrs Clwyd added that she had then there when her husband booked.

Novotel's finest began anew: "The computer 'as swallowed all the reservations and we 'ave no bed." He then turned to me and asked whether I was

Comment?" said I, knowing the language.

"Avec ce monsieur?" he explained. I shook my head. "So you will need two rheums?" he said to the Clwyds.

Clwyd looked bewildered. "Alors." said the clerk, and he dialled a number, announced his identity, asked whether there was accommodation. We waited. Mr Clwyd lit another cigarette. After some delay the receptionist announced success: There is rheum at Hotel Ibis."

"How will we get there?" asked Clwyd. "We have let our taxi go.

"We booked three weeks ago." added his wife, "we did not expect this." "Come this way." said the

At length he returned and told me about Hotel Ibis: drive back to the main road, tournez right, then tournez right again and lbis is on your right. I was going to ask about reimbursement of my fax, but another party of putative guests arrived

and I drove off as instructed. When I reached my new hotel, Mrs Clwyd was standing at reception explaining to a Congolese clerk that they had booked at Novotel three weeks ago, she had overheard her husband making the reservation. C.L.W.Y.D.

"Is it the reservation code?" asked the man helpfully. "It's my name." said Mr Clwyd. Seeing me hovering, the clerk said "And you are together. you

will need two rooms?" "No." said Clwyd. "We are bateaux qui passent

dans la nuit," I said. "I thought I recognised you," said his wife. She turned to her man and said: "It's him from l'other hotel."

Hot blast from the kitchen

Touse of Commons catering staff are threatening to close the kitchens in a oneday strike over low pay on one of the most colourful occasions in the political calendar, the state opening of Parliament in November. An estimated 4,000 lunches are served on the day of the Queen's speech. A strike would not only leave all those mouths unfed but would greatly embarrass the government.

Representatives of the 1.000 catering staff, who on average take home less than £100 a week, are planning an emergency meeting when they return to Westminster at the end of the summer recess and are holding talks with their trade union, the GMB. The union sponsors about 35 MPs. including the shadow chancellor. John Smith, and the shadow foreign secretary. Gerald Kaufman. Both dine regularly in the Commons restaurants and the union will expect them to throw their weight behind the strikers. One Commons barman said:

"The pay is not only low but the hours are long. If the House sits late we can work a 16-hour day. Striking on the day of the Queen's speech is our best weapon. Sir Charles Irving, Tory chairman of the Commons catering committee, says: "They are marvellous staff and I hope we can sort this out before the state

opening. Some very important

guests are entertained that day,

and the menus and table plans are

done weeks in advance. If we

don't resolve things quickly I shall have to advise MPs to start booking outside restaurants."

Dale Campbell-Savours, one of the Labour MPs who has frequently raised the issue in the Commons, says: "Wages could be raised substantially if meals cost £1 more - and every MP could more than afford it."

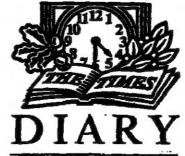
If Mrs Thaucher is at all superstitious, she will hope that Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House.can sort out the mess. The catering staff last went on strike in March 1979, and later the same day Jim Callaghan's Labour government lost a vote of confidence and a general election was immediately called.

Lost to the left

ne of the centres of leftwing artistic subversion in London has fallen into the clutches of its arch-enemy, Lady Porter's Westminster city council. The Cockpit theatre, home of GLC agit-prop productions, has long aroused the ire of Tory MPs. who in 1984 demanded its closure because of its "political and sexual licence". Now the Cockpit will have to become respectable or face the final curtain, as Westminster takes over funding from the late Inner London Education Authority.

Labour MP Tony Banks, who funded the Cockpit as chairman of the GLC arts committee, fears the worst. "If Lady Porter can find an excuse for closing down anything which does not put on plays which Tory Central Office would approve. she will do so."

Helen Moss, head of Westminster council's grants and arts



unit, confirms that Lady Porter has ordered the theatre to clean up its act. She says the council does not expect the company to maintain its "loony, controversial and left-wing" image.

But the message has not reached the theatre's management. One of the first touringcompanies to perform there under the new funding will be Gay Sweatshop. The true-blue councillors may also react badly to the forthcoming feminist production of Dr Faustus, which has Mephistopheles played by a woman though not, despite the insinua-tions of her Labour opponents, by Lady Porter,

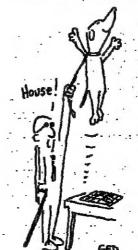
Ringside seats

isregarding the tanks and armoured personnel carriers careering around his country, Jordan's minister of tourism, Abdul Karim Kabariti, has issued a reassuring message for tourists. Suggestions that Jordan is in the middle of a potential war zone are totally misleading, he claims - in fact, it remains an idyllic holiday destination far

from strife, real or potential. Making a virtue out of the cancelled bookings for September and October, he says: "Tour operators often have difficulty booking rooms in Aqaba and Petra at this time of year. Here is a chance they should not miss."

Eyes down

The Strangeways riot earlier this year has claimed another casualty. Blind bingo players have been deprived of their braille bingo cards, previously produced exclusively by inmates of the Manchester prison. Since prisoners were moved from the wreckage earlier this year, the



project, sponsored by the Mecca eisure chain, has stopped. "There is a shortage of cards. Old people's homes and clubs for the blind are suffering," says a spokesman for the Royal Institute for the Blind

Thinking mink

Tow that even Harrods refuses to stock fur-coats and no self-respecting woman would be seen dead in a mink, what is to become of all the unwanted fur? The problem has been taxing staff at the anti-fur campaigners Lynx, which last November organised a successful "amnesty" in Trafalgar Square at which owners were invited to hand over their coats. As a result, Lynx now has a stockpile of fors that must originally have cost hundreds of thousands of pounds.

"We have a garage-full," says a spokesman, and we get more all the time because the owners cannot sell them. Oxfam no longer accepts furs, however valuable, and jumble sales can't get rid of them even at 50 pence each."

So the Lynx stockpile is to be destroyed, at a "dignified public ceremony" in November. Now Lynx is worried about the method: "We don't want to burn them, as that would be environmentally unsound. The furs have been treated with chemicals and there would be a frightful smell and huge clouds of smoke." Nor is burying an option. An un-scrupulous dealer might dig them up and hang on to them in the hope that wearing them might one day lose its moral opprobrium.

The Fur Education Council suggests that with winter approaching they be given to poor people in Eastern Europe, who have yet to see our furry friends in the same enlightened way. "Cestianly not," says Lynx. They are badges of shame whoever aring them."



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JUSTICE OF APPEAL

On Tuesday the Home Secretary, David Waddington, received a fresh police report on the case of the Birmingham Six. Yesterday he referred the case back to the Court of Appeal for further consideration even though the court had dismissed an earlier appeal as recently as 1988. As with the Guildford Four and Maguire cases, also involving alleged IRA terrorism, further evidence has come to light which may throw doubt on the safety of the original convictions. The speed with which Mr Waddington acted suggests that those doubts may be substantial.

The court's record in such cases in recent years has weakened public confidence in the criminal appeals procedure. As well as dismissing the appeal in 1988 the court refused leave to appeal after a hearing in 1976. The evidence now available was not available before. But the new evidence reinforces the very grounds of those earlier appeals, by raising further doubts as to the reliability of the confession statements which were at the heart of the prosecution case.

The six were convicted of the horrendous murder of 21 people by planting two bombs in Birmingham public houses in 1974. They apparently confessed, but almost immediately claimed their confessions were beaten out of them by the West Midlands serious crimes squad. Having turned down the claim in 1976 and 1988 that confessions were forced, the Court of Appeal will now have to ask itself whether it went wrong and, if so, how,

One of the appeal judges who heard that case has since retired. Sir Frederick Lawton published in The Times last month an article proposing far-reaching reforms of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968, largely in the light of the Guildford and Maguire appeals (in which he did not sit) but entirely relevant to the Birmingham appeals. He is by no means alone

in his criticisms of the present procedures. There are serious structural and procedural faults in the way the Court of Appeal has to go about its business, leading it to exclude questions it ought to be asking and considering itself unable to overturn jury verdicts which look dubious. Of all Sir Frederick's suggestions, one of the most valuable would be for a

senior police officer to be attached to the court with authority to assemble a team of detectives to collect further evidence on any aspect of the case about which the court is unhappy. More fundamental is the complaint of Lords Devlin and Scarman that the Court of Appeal has usurped the functions of a jury by refusing to order a new trial when fresh evidence is produced, instead of assessing the evidence itself. It is such factors as these which create the suspicion that the court has an in-built bias against an appellant, however fair-minded the judges may be.

Even fair-mindedness cannot be taken for granted. Lord Denning, when Master of the Rolls and therefore president of the civil division of the Court of Appeal, heard one aspect of the Birmingham case in 1980, a rather desperate civil action by the prisoners against the West Midlands police for assault. He dismissed their action, saying that the consequences of the possibility that the police were guilty of wholesale perjury (not to mention assaulting prisoners in their custody for the extraction of confessions) were too awful to contemplate.

The terms of the criminal division's rejection of the 1988 Birmingham Six appeal had that same complacent ring. In other words the Court of Appeal, in both its civil and criminal jurisdictions, has taken as an axiom of its proceedings that the police should be believed. That axiom has only been upset when other police evidence, arising from reopened investigations by outside forces, has

contradicted the first. Sadly, policemen, even senior ones, sometimes tell lies; and to be an Irishman in workman's clothes is not a bar to truth-telling. It seems that the statue of Justice over the Old Bailey in London - blindfolded to advertise that English courts will listen impartially to the evidence of all - may have given poor service for the Birmingham Six. The Director of Public Prosecutions, Allan Green, will have to decide whether to oppose this new appeal, or whether to offer no case as he did in the final appeal of the Guildford Four. He would be wise to bear in mind the present lack of con-

A CYNICAL GESTURE

Even if for once President Saddam Hussein keeps a promise and western women and children held hostage in Iraq and Kuwait are allowed to leave, his decision to release them will deserve no credit, never mind gratitude, and Mrs Thatcher was right to give him none yesterday. So long as Iraq continues to hold a single civilian hostage, Saddam remains in breach of international law and affronts elementary rules of humanitarian conduct.

The British public will be anxious for the rapid evacuation of as many of its fellow rizens as possible. But the government is wise to demand full details of the scope of the offer and the practical arrangements before offering advice to the trapped families and dispatching aircraft. Landing rights, details of formalities for crossing Iraq's borders and waiving of exit visas must all be clear. Supervision by the International Red Cross may be required:

Verifying the terms and the genuineness of the offer is particularly important for those in Kuwait, where there are far more British nationals than in Iraq itself. Ten days after Baghdad first ordered the rounding up of western nationals, only 385 Britons out of some 2,500 in Kuwait have been detained, although the round-ups continue and are reportedly becoming more systematic. The rest are at home or in hiding. Still others have escaped.

Saddam's overtly humanitarian gesture could, possibly, be a trap to lure civilians to break cover. Even if genuine, the offer presents families with an agonising choice: to stay and hope to escape detection, or to accept the evacuation of women and children at the risk of exposing their menfolk to even greater danger. Saddam's apparently spontaneous decision thus fits into the pattern of persistent menaces and occasional blandishments which has marked his conduct of the war of nerves.

If the evacuation proceeds, Saddam will hope to gain what he calls "ambassadors for peace" in every Western capital: wives desperate for their husbands' return putting

pressure on their governments to find a diplomatic solution, even if that left Iraq in control of Kuwait. Iraq is holding hostages in the belief that they will be the determining factor in western policy: on that reasoning, more advocates for those hostages will make them a still more powerful political factor.

fidence in the appeals system when he does so.

As Douglas Hurd said yesterday, such offers are calculated "to soften up western opinion" for peace plans and compromises. For ministers to make absolutely clear that there will be no quid pro quo is as essential as it will be painful. If the hostages' predicament is not to dominate policy, there is a case for maximising the political consensus behind firm opposition to Iraq's aggression. Mrs Thatcher should respond favourably when she returns to London today to Neil Kinnock's formal request for the recall of parliament.

Too precipitate a recall, as Mr Kinnock acknowledged yesterday, would have been liable to convey an impression of panic which would have bolstered confidence in Baghdad. His letter placed the Opposition four-square behind the government's policy in the Gulf. In doing so, he commits his party to use the full House of Commons debate responsibly, resisting the temptation to score political points.

Saddam's current tactics suggest that Iraq hopes to delay military action while it consolidates its conquest of Kuwait and exploits the hostages for all they are worth. The longer Iraq holds its ground, the likelier that military force will have to be used. The Opposition should not attempt to extract from the government a commitment, which the prime minister has properly refused to give, that military options beyond those necessary to enforce the blockade against Iraq are ruled out.

It is right that the government should give its policies a full public airing. The country needs a clear affirmation of the will in all parties to enforce international law against Iraqi aggression. A debate in parliament should drive home to Saddam that hostage-holding arouses only repugnance and contempt.

TOPPING THE POPS

The idea of staging a football competition to promote the Italian singer Pavarotti always seemed a good one. Now a record of the Three Tenors Concert which took place on the penultimate night of the World Cup has reached an impressively high note in the charts. No doubt boosted by media reports of a grudge match between Pavarotti and his marker Placido Domingo, it has filled the number two slot in the Gallup-Music Week list - elbowing Elton John into third place.

This is not the first time that classical compositions have succeeded in surprising Tin Pan Alley. But they have previously had to do so in disguise. Tchaikovsky's Italian Caprice finally made it, but only with a startling new libretto called I Asked The Valley Of Echoes If She Loved Me. Chopin followed with I'm For Ever Chasing Rainbows as did Borodin with his hit song Stranger in Paradise. The group Procul Harum with A Whiter Shade of Pale explored a lighter shade of J. S. Bach. Little did poor George II know when he stood up for the Hallelujah chorus that Yes We Have No Bananas might be spawned by it.

Classical composers have generally thought up the best tunes, if only because they had first choice of all the notes. Yet until now their albums have rarely hit the back of the net, because no one had marketed them properly. All Mozart really needed was a manager.

Now the original themes, as opposed to variations on them, are catching on. Following his hicrative rendition of Nessun Dorma on BBC Grandstand during the World Cup, the record of The Essential Pavarotti looks set to score a million goals before Christmas.

Meanwhile that Aston Villa football supporter Nigel Kennedy has taken Vivaldi's Four Seasons to the terraced masses (its sales already top 600,000) and seems likely to do the same with the Mendelssohn, Bruch and Brahms violin concertos.

The recent commercial success of the great composers suggests there must be better ways of selling the other arts. No modern author can emulate the symmetry of Jane Austen or the rumbustious comedy of Tom Jones. Dickens, Austen, Fielding et al have been profitably exploited by film companies; usually the film of the book receives a brief lift in sales on the back of the cinema marketing, but soon become inconspicuous again on the paperback

The reproductions which adorn the schools and sitting rooms of Britain represent only a small stereotyped selection. The Boyhood of Raleigh. The Laughing Cavalier and any one of half a dozen by Constable inadequately represent the last few centuries. Yet Rembrandt. Corot. Goya and Vermeer have an instant appeal of which most people are unblissfully ignorant. The National Portrait Gallery should try a tittle sports sponsorship,

The discovery that Luciano Pavarotti was not the reserve sweeper for Juventus has enriched many lives, including his own. A similar enlightenment could follow the successful purveying of other art forms, other compositions. Perhaps the World Cup was a benefit to mankind after all. Now for a penalty shoot-out?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

UN diplomacy as Gulf option

From the Secretary General of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf

Sir, I read with interest the letter of the Chairman and Vice-chairman of the United Nations Association of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Ivor Richard and Judith Hart, published on August 22. Lord Richard and I served in

the Security Council in 1978-79. We both know the limitations of UN action. UN resolutions on Kuwait reflect international unanimity in opposing Iraq's forcible annexation of its peaceful neighbour. Resolutions are expressions of a stand and articulation of indignation, but alone they do not liberate Kuwait. Only by force and the determination to use it can Kuwait be liberated.

Any suggestion that rules out force plays into the hands of the Iraqi regime. The world can't accept a raping of an innocent state, and the humiliation of its people and the cancellation of its identity. Iraq played a serious game and must pay for its adventure. Iraq is a threat to world order, to regional stability and to

civilized behaviour.
The Richard/Hart letter places a lot of faith in diplomacy alone. I happen to believe in diplomacy based on force. The volcano tha erupted in the Gulf by Iraqi invasion will not disappear by words, but by a combination of words and actions.

Best regards, Yours faithfully, ABDULLA Y. BISHARA, Secretary General, Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), PO Box 7153, Riyadh, 11462, Saudi Arabia. August 26.

From Mrs Tamara Adler

Sir, Sir Dennis Walters, MP (August 25) writes that "Israel nas . . . continued to occupy and colonise Arab land in Palestine and elsewhere. That unresolved cancer is at the root of almost all the dangerous turmoil in the Middle East." However neutrally one may try to read this statement. it smacks too much of the classical cliché according to which the Jew is at the root of all evil: since official anti-semitism is outlawed, it is Israel which has become the Jew of the nations and it is treated accordingly.

Looking for roots is a dangerous ame; however, while Sir Dennis is at it, it would be more correct to consider former colonial Britain at the root of most of the present and past trouble in the Middle East.

Yours sincerely, TAMARA ADLER, As from POB 39153, 61391 Tel Aviv, Israel.

Bhutan unrest

From his Honour Judge Curtis.

Sir. The report you carried from a correspondent in Nepal, "Pressure grows for Bhutan freedom" (August 23), could mislead your readers into supporting yet another so-called "democratic movement. All the exiled Bhutan People's Party want is to take over and wield power themselves and then the Bhutanese, like so many others, would know what despotism really means.

I have recently visited this benevolently-governed kingdom, with which we had our first treaty in 1772. The Bhutanese are a happy, proud nation - and rightly so. We might say that until recently it was a feudal state, but enormous improvements, especially in education are evident to any enquiring traveller should allow them to evolve in their own way, at their own pace and perhaps take some interest in this friendly and strategicallyplaced country. We give less than half Switzerland's support.

Suffers from crime here might like to know that in Bhutan judical work is non-criminal. No Bhutanese would dream of taking a tip. let alone committing a crime. Why uproot the good?

Yours faithfully, RICHARD CURTIS. Tarrington Court. Near Hereford.

Wife-death verdict From Mr Barry N Speker

Sir. As the solicitor who appeared behalf of the family of the fate Mrs Doris Waldock at the inquest in Ashington (report. August 21), 1 must comment upon certain points made by Bernard Levin (August 27). Levin was writing before he could have seen the coroner's summary of evidence, which took some 11/2 hours to

1. The inquest was heard on six days over a period of more than five months, to ensure that all relevant evidence was available (including three witnesses who travelled from Portugal). The coroner, who is greatly respected locally, had before him much evidence which had not been heard in Portugal.

In total he heard from four pathologists. The family were allowed to arrange a further post mortem. The inquest gave them their only opportunity of representation at an enquiry into this tragic death.

2. The finding of the court in Portimao, Portugal (sitting with-out a jury) was that PC Alan Waldock was acquitted of the indictment through "not being proved" (to quote the translation of the court's judgement)

Guinness trial: moral judgments and business lessons From Mr Ashley Mote dinary" that some people have

August 29.

From Mr A. J. Lucking

Sir, The Guinness trial should

have a salutary effect on those

planning takeovers. Can we look

to the new Accounting Standards Board to take an equally stern line.

both with auditors and company

In recent years, dubious ac-

counting has made takeovers an

easy way of boosting apparent profits. Plant-depreciation lives

have been doubled, or even nearly

trebled, with nothing provided in

the year of acquisition; repair

work has been capitalised, con-

trary to previous practice; excessive provisions have been made

for pending redundancies or against stock valuations (here we

can learn from the French, who

require detailed schedules of those

to be made redundant, with the

often show inadequate informa-

tion about such changes, so that

City comment is confined to

lauding the management ability of

the new owners. Too much of our

national ingenuity has been de-

voted to making paper profits, rather than real things.

Yours faithfully,

Hamilton, QC

A. J. LUCKING, 20/17 Broad Court, WC2.

From his Honour Alan King-

At present, company accounts

dates and amounts involved).

behaviour, after takeovers?

Sir. Two aspects of the Guinness trial should be cause for concern

to those who worry whether justice has been done.

The charges relating to theft appear to have been based on the

proposition that shareholders' funds had been "given away" (Mr Justice Henry's words when sentencing the defendants) in fees and guarantees against loss during the share-support operation. As a Guinness shareholder, my

funds were being employed in an operation to develop the com-pany. In the four years since the takeover of Distillers pre-tax and retained profits have increased tenfold, earnings per share are up over 50 per cent, net assets have more than trebled, the share price has more than doubled, and dividends are up by over 50 per cent.
All this is almost entirely the direct result of the acquisition and

successful development of the Distillers business. Other people have achieved these outstanding results, but Ernest Saunders was the one who saw the opportunity and went for it. I am not arguing that the law was not broken in certain particu-

lar respects; but I object as a shareholder to the prosecution taking it upon itself to argue that I have suffered a loss by theft.

Secondly, the proceedings in court, to say nothing of the reports in some of the media, made much of the sums of money involved, as that somehow made matters worse. The number of noughts on the end is irrelevant. Against balance-sheet assets at the relevant time of some £500 million, fees and costs of a few million to people and organisations capable of helping management to win the opportunity to treble that figure in five years do not seem unreason-

Yours etc. ASHLEY MOTE, Overdeans Court, Dippenhall, Farnham, Surrey.

From Mr Patrick Eggleston Sir, James Saunders would have us believe (report, August 29) that his father's five-year imprisonment was unduly harsh. He may well wish to reflect upon what the total term would have been if the sentences had run consecutively rather than concurrently: 48 years.

With remission and parole for good behaviour Ernest Saunders can expect to be free again in 20 months. In the circumstances I am inclined to think that the law has been more than fair. Yours faithfully, PATRICK EGGLESTON,

41 Earlsfield Road, SW18. From Mr Patrick Lay Sir. Sir Nicholas Goodison, in his article today, finds it "extraor- judge and two expert assessors, as

Exam results From the Director of the

Polytechnic of North London Sir. The response to this year's Alevel results (report, August 16) shows once again that prejudice is impervious to evidence. As stories began to appear, just prior to the publication of the results, that performance overall would be slightly worse than last year, there was a rush to blame the GCSE for

reducing standards. When it transpired that performance in fact was slightly better than last year, the cause, we were told, was weaker marking and lowered expectations. Clearly, closed minds must not be allowed

to be confused by the facts. What are those facts? Know ledge increases every year In many subjects, areas of work formed part of the undergraduate syllabus a decade ago now feature in A levels More pupils absolutely and as a percentage of the age group, are taking and passing those A levels.

By both absolute and relative measures, standards have improved. And if indeed the GCSE has resulted in pupils starting from a lower base of skills and knowledge, as is alleged, then these results should be the cause of warm and generous congratulation to the pupils and teachers involved.

The mean-minded criticisms which have emerged are deeply rooted in the internal contradiction of an elitish education system. If more achieve the standards

In Portugal, as in this country.

the burden of proof is upon the

prosecution to establish guilt be-

yond reasonable doubt. If they fail

to do so, then a not-guilty verdict is entered Neither in Portugal nor

in England can this be accurately

or properly described, in the

words of your introductory head-line, as a "declaration of inno-

3. The coroner is accused of

stating that he was "unable to

convict PC Waldock off his own

bat" and "therefore recorded an

open verdict". It is no longer the

function of a coroner's inquisition

to charge a person with murder.

manslaughter or infanticide: Criminal Law Act 1977 s.56(1).

The coroner acknowledged this thoughout and made it clear that

PC Waldock was not on trial. At

no stage did he suggest that he could convict PC Waldock of

4. The doctrine of autrefois acquit

(the rule that a man charged, tried

and acquitted may not be tried again for the same offence] was

discussed by the coroner and he

acknowledged its application to

the present case, notwithstanding

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a daytime telephone number. They

(071) 782 5046.

may be sent to a fax number

cence".

anything.

stroyed. And that is why those who believe in the virtues of such a system will always find reasons to argue that more inevitably means worse. They are wrong. Yours faithfully, LESLIE WAGNER, Director, Polytechnic of North London, 166-220 Holloway Road, N7. From Mr Sved Gilani

set by that system, which are its ostensible aims, that elitism will

be damaged and eventually de-

Sir, Why should A-level examinees have to write their names on the answer papers, along with the centre and identifying number, unlike the American and most European systems?

Does not giving the name expose a candidate of ethnic origin to the possibility of racial pre-judice during marking? ours sincerely. S. H GILANI.

1051 Forest Road. Walthamstow, E17 August 20.

From Mr Peter K. Steel Sir, Can anyone explain the logic of turning the gradings of GCSE upside down (report, August 20) from 1994? By all means replace the letters by numbers, but why make grade 10 first-rate and grade 1 tenth-rate? Is it not possible that people used to the normal way of grading will think, for example, that grade 4 is better than grade 6?

that the acquittal was in Portugal.

However, such acquittal does not

preclude the holding of an inquest

5. A witness at an inquest is not

bound to answer any questions

which may incriminate him. PC

Waldock's solicitor stated that his

client was not at risk because of

autrefois acquit, and PC Waldock

freely elected to give evidence and

Quite properly, the coroner warned him before giving evi-

dence of his right to refuse to

answer questions and repeated

this warning very many times

during cross-examination. He

should not be then criticised for

pronouncing his assessment of

6. The coroner did not "an-

nounce" that "the Portuguese

verdict was wrong" and that he

would proclaim the correct one

which was that PC Waldock is

mility". What he did say was that

if the standard of proof had been the civil one of balance of

probabilities" rather than "be-

Yours sincerely, PETER K. STEEL, 9 Marmora Road. East Dulwich, SE22.

answer questions.

such sworn evidence.

Yours faithfully, BARRY N. SPEKER,

Newcastle upon Tyne.

86 Pilgrim Street.

August 28.

killing.

suggested in the Roskill report is suggested that "what was done still strong". Permit me to suggest

during the battle for Distillers was that, on the contrary, the verdict is acceptable, if not normal, behavanother demonstration of the ability of an ordinary jury to understand a long complex fraud iour". Of course most people do not consider such standards acceptable. Most people do not trial, with the help of responsible consider crime or, indeed, any form of unsociable behaviour counsel and an experienced judge.
If there has been dishonesty a acceptable. It is, however, somejury, properly directed, can smell

thing they learn to live with.
Sir Nicholas and others in the have a too technical and blinkered financial services industry must view of the evidence. Incidentally, have been very naive to have been it always takes a little time to shocked by what had happened collect 12 jurors in all long trials for, if not normal, the events surrounding Guinness were not not only in fraud.

To do away with juries in "long complex" fraud trials would undermine a fundamental prinabnormal enough to cause official L and many of my colleagues in ciple of our criminal procedure

it whereas expert assessors may

the financial press at the time, raised many queries with the And where - and by whom - would the line be drawn between regulatory authorities about seemthose which are and those which ingly questionable tactics em-ployed in several takeover battles are not complex? Yours sincerely.
ALAN KING-HAMILTON,
The Royal Air Force Club. around that time; to the best of my knowledge no official enquiries took place based on those queries.

28 Piccadilly, W1, From Mr Keith Martin Sir, Your editorial (August 29)

Yours faithfully,
PATRICK LAY (City Editor.
Daily Express, 1983-86).
Didgemere Lodge,
Epping Road, Roydon, Essex. suggests that the sentences in the Guinness case will send a shudder through the business community, Perhaps. But the astute will realise that Ernest Saunders and his associates would not have been caught at all if it had been left purely up to the British system, rather than a chance discovery by American investigators.

In the circumstances, one would like to hear Mrs Thatcher underline Edward Heath's famous point about the "unacceptable face" of capitalism.

Yours faithfully. K. MARTIN, 105a Lansdowne Road. Tottenham, N17.

From Mr Martin B. Radeliffe Sir. What of value has been achieved, at the expense of £25 million or so, we are told (report, August 28), by putting Ernest Saunders and his colleagues behind burs?

As far as the reputation of the City is concerned, I suspect it will remain just as it was - admired by some and detested by others, according to personal inclination and experience of its labyrinthine ways. I am. yours faithfully. M. B. RADCLIFFE.

Martin B. Radcliffe (Solicitor), I Savoy Hill, WC2.

From Lady Sachs Sir. It seems that City history has been made, of a sort. Where shall I be able to read all about it? In the Guinness Book of Criminal Records? Yours sincerely.

PEGGY SACHS. Antioch House West.

Sir, In your leading article. "Guinness guilt" (August 28), you wrote "The case for such trials to be heard not by a jury but by a Rotten Row, Lewes, East Sussex.

Cheap church repairs From Mr Robin Cotton

Sir. The Archdeacon of Exeter (August 24) refers to the heroic efforts of parishes to keep their ancient buildings in good repair, without the prospect of any assistance from outside the parish itself.

This is not the case in many counties, including Devon, as there are now some 25 local county historic churches trusts able to offer financial help and advice to churches faced with major fabric repairs, with priority normally given to churches in small rural communities. These independent county trusts, with their detailed local knowledge, can give very effective help from their limited but nevertheless steadily increasing resources

Yours sincerely. ROBIN COTTON (Chairman. County Historic Churches Trusts Standing Committee). Cherry Orchard.

Oxfordshire. August 25.

From Mr Ian Dickinson

Today, my wife and I see more and more young children taking to the fells, each tackling his or her objective with enthusiasm. There can be little doubt which obstacle courses they will set their own children and grandchildren, when the time comes.

Daleford Lane, Whitegate, Northwich, Cheshire.

Sir, Dealing with our granddaughters, aged six and four, we have found that our caravan (doubling as a Wendy House) for domestic skills, our goldfish pond with frogs and an adjacent donkey with a voracious appetite for windfall apples to promote environmental studies, and video tapes of La Fille Mal Gardée and the Paris Opera's modern Cinderella, endlessly repeated, for cultural development, enable us (with some parental assistance) to concentrate on basic domestic

survival. Clearly Mrs Marshall's threeyear-old, Alexander (August 14). as his name implies, is a more formidable proposition. Yours faithfully, J. C. BECK

Samuel Phillips & Co (Solicitors). Oxfordshire

Badgemore, Henley-on-Thames.

Obstacle course

Sir, Mrs Rachel Gibbs (August 18) refers to very young children in her family climbing Cader Idris. In 1971, at the age of five years and seven months, my younger daughter walked from Stanah to Glenridding (5½ miles) over Lake-land's Sticks Pass. 2.420 feet.

Yours faithfully, IAN DICKINSON,

From Major J. C. Beck

yond reasonable doubt" he would have entered a verdict of unlawful The Braid, Little Street, Sulgrave or Banbury

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BALMORAL CASTLE

August 29: The Queen held a Council at 12.40 pm.

There were present: The Lord Mackay of Clashfern (Lord Chancellor, acting for the Lord President), the Lord Belstead (Lord Privy Seal), the Her M Lord Denham (Captain, Council

Gentlemen at Arms) and the Lord Fraser of Carmyllie

(Lord Advocate). Mr Robert P Bulling was in attendance as Deputy Clerk of the Council.

The Lord Mackay of Her Majesty before the

The Leys School, Cambridge

Autumn Term at The Leys

starts today. The Rev John Barrett takes up his appoint-ment as Headmaster. Rufus

Taylor is Senior Prefect. The Buchanan Memorial match will

be played on Saturday, September 22, and will be followed by the OL Dinner at the University

Arms Hotel. "The Crucible" will be performed in the School Theatre on November 21-23, and the School Concert is on November 30. The Carol Ser-

vice is to be held at the Univer-

sity Church of Great St Mary. on

Friday. December 14, at 3 pm. Term ends on December 15.

Queen's Gate School, London, SW7

Autumn Term begins today.

Thursday, August 30. Joint Head Girls for the year are Katie

Dindol and Nadia Field. Open Evening for Common Entrance

School news

Bedford School
The Christmas Term begins today with 1135 boys in the School. Dr I.P. Evans from St Pauls School, is the new Head Master. William L. Banks is Head of School and Richard J. Stone, Captain of Rugby, The Old Bedfordian Annual Dinner will be on Friday. October 12, at the Banqueting Hall, Lord's Cricket Ground when the Guest of Honour will be Mr Dudley Wood. Secretary of the Rugby.

Wood, Secretary of the Rugby Football Union, Speech Day will be on October 20, when the Lord Ross of Newport will be the Guest of Honour. "David Copperfield", a joint production with Bedford High School, will be performed in the Theatre on December 5, 6, 7 and 8. The Old Bedfordian Rugby matches will take place on December 15. King's School, Bruton

The Christmas Term starts on Monday, September 3. New House was refurbished during the holidays, completing the refurbishment of all the Houses, The new Norton Library was opened last term, and the Old Library has been made into a new Meeung and Recutal Room. There will be 340 pupils in the School this term. The Confirmation Service, conducted by the Rt Rev Dr George Carey, Bishop of Bath and Wells, will be on Saturday, November 24 and the Carol Service on Friday, December 7.

Birthdays today

Dr Barbara Ansell, rheumatolo-gist, 67; Sir Harold Atcherley, chairman, Toynbee Hall, 72; Lord Brain, 64; Sir Patrick Branigan OC, former Attorney-General, Gold Coast, 84; Sir Keith Bright, former chairman, London Regional Transport, 59, Sir Charles Burman, former chairman, Tarmac, 82, Mr Allan Davis, theatre director, 77; Mr Kenneth Gill, trades unionist, 63; Dr A.B. Gilmour, former director, NSPCC, 62: Mr M.R. Harris, company director, 68; Mr Denis Healey, CH, MP, 73; Air Marshal Sir Frank Holroyd. 55; Rear-Admiral John Howson, 82; Lord Keith of Castleacre, 74; Sir Desmond Lee, former president, Hughes Hall, Cambridge, 82: the Count-ess of Longford, 84: Miss Sue MacGregor, broadcaster, 49: Dr Peter North, principal, Jesus College, Oxford, 54: Sir Peter Parker, former chairman, British Railways Board, 66; Sir administrator, 76; Sir Richard Stone, economist, 77: Professor J M. Thoday, geneticist, 74; the Very Rev Professor T.F. Tor-rance, theologian, 77: Sir Philip

Times guides

Mr C.M. Garthwaite

Clement, Jersey.

and Mrs C.A. Sanders

The engagement is announced between Charles, second son of

Mr and Mrs Marun Garthwaite.

of La Cour Normande, St

Marun, Jersey, and Camilla, daughter of Mr and Mrs James

Nelson, of Martland House, St

The engagement is announced between David, son of the Rev

and Mrs J. Heley, of Burnham Market, Norfolk, and Emma,

daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J.

Stokes, of Worth Abbey, Sussex.

Mr J.G. Heywood and The Lady Sophia Meade The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Briga-

dier and Mrs Anthony Hey-wood, of Monkton House, Monkton Deverill, Wiltshire,

Earl of Clanwilliam and of

Catherine, Countess of Clanwilliam, of Rainscombe

Park, Oare, Marlborough, Wiltshire

The engagement is announced

Jack, of Bromsgrove, Worces-

tershire, and Lucy, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Perkins, of

The engagement is announced between David Bell, son of the

late Mr James Kennaway and

of Mrs Stanley Vereker, and

Caroline Jane, eldest daughter of Mr Alistair Wallace and Mrs

The engagement is announced

Mr and Mrs Roger Meadows,

of Kulmersdon, Somerset, and

Alison, elder daughter of Mr and

Mrs Vernon Appelboam, of Upton Grey, Hampshire.

The engagement is announced between Andrew Carl, younger

son of Mr K. Other and the late Mrs Other, of Lichfield, and

Jane Emma, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard J. Harper,

Bromfield, Cannock,

Andrew, second son of

and Miss A.M. Appelboam

n John. son of Mr and Dr

Mr J.W. Jack

and Miss L.M. Perkins

Islington, London.

Mr D.B. Kennaway

Mr A.R. Meadows

Mr A.C. Otner

and Miss J.E. Harper

and Miss C.J. Wallace

Lieutenant D.N. Heley, RN

The Times Guide to Eastern Europe, edited by Keith Sword. and The Times Guide to the Environment, by Struan Simpson, are published by Times Books today.

Woodfield, civil servant, 67.

celebrated during 1991, begin-ning with a service at St Margaret's Church, Westmin-ster, on Thursday, March 14.

Anniversaries BIRTHS: Jacques David, painter. Paris, 1748; Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley, author of Frankenstein, London, 1797; Ernest Rutherford, Baron Rutherford of Nelson, physicist, Nobel laureate 1908, Spring Grove, New Zealand, 1871. DEATHS: Francis Baily, astronomer, London, 1844; Feargus O'Connor, Chartist leader, London, 1855; Sir John Ross, Arcue explorer, London, 1856; John Francis, sculptor, Loudon, 1861; Georges Sorel

philosopher, Boulogne, 1922;

Henri Barbusse, novelist, Mos-cow, 1935; Sir Joseph Thomson,

physicist, Nobel laureate 1906, Cambridge, 1940.

Oak in danger

The Major Oak in Sherwood Forest, Robin Hood's legendary hide-out, is being drenched rially in thousands of gallons of water because of lears that could be destroyed by fire or

Bird survey

Forthcoming

marriages

A survey of the wild fowl and wading birds living on the 200 reservours owned by North West Water began yesterday. The survey, the first of its kind undertaken by any water company, will take a year and cost £52,000. It is being carried out by the Wild Edwi and Westander by the Wild Fowl and Wetlands Trust.

OBITUARIES

CDR SIR PETER AGNEW

Commander Sir Peter Garnett Agnew, 1st Bt, Conservative MP for Camborne from 1931 to 1950, and for South Worcestershire from 1955 to 1966, died on August 26 at the age of 90. He was born on July

PETER Agnew had twin careers, in the Royal Navy which he entered in the final year of the first world war and in which he saw copious Clashfern had an audience of service in the second, and in politics. Indeed it is fair to say that his devotion to the navy in the second world war militated against his political advancement afterwards. Though he returned from sea to serve his party in parliament in 1944, when a posting to the Royal Naval College, Greenwich, enabled him to attend debates at Westminster, he was not perceived as a rising man in quite the same way that he had been before war broke out in 1939.

A Cheshire man, Peter Gar-

nett Agnew was educated at

Repton and went into the navy in 1918. He spent his midshipman's time in the battlecruiser Hood on her first commission, and then, in 1923, went out to join the sloop Bluebell on the China station. He had further spells in battlecruisers, again in Hood and in Renown, before going to Jamaica in 1927 as ADC to the governor. In Jamaica he met his first wife, Enid Frances, the daughter of an Australian and widow of Lieutenant-Colonel O. H. E. Marescaux, of Cherry Garden, Jamaica. They were married for 54 years until ber death in

Evening for Common Entrance candidates and their parents will be on Thursday, November 8. The Carol Service is on Wednesday. December 12, at St Augustine's Church, Queen's Gate. Half term is from October 15-26 inclusive, and term ends on Thursday, December 13. The Centenary Year of the foundation of the School will be celebrated during 1991, begin. service, in the battleship Queen Elizabeth and the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, Agnew retired as a lieutenantcommander in 1931 to devote himself to politics. In that year he overturned the Liberal majority in Camborne, a constituency he was to repre-sent until 1950, when he somewhat surprisingly lost the seat, having survived the Labour landslide of 1945. He quickly made his mark in parliament. He was young and

this century.

AUTHOR of several collec-

articles of literary criticism,

Mehdi Akhavan Saless was

both a product and a leader of

the modernist movement of

Persian poetry started by

Nima Yoshij in the 1920s.

While firmly belonging to the

new movement, he rejected

the total liberation from

rhyme and rhythm that some

contemporaries promoted.

tions of poems and numerous Firdausi and Khayyam, and

His emotional affinity with, ministry of education in the

After further periods of



MacDonald, then Labour prime minister, and also with his own leader, Stanley Bal-dwin. In 1935 Walter (afterwards Lord) Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, chose him to be his parliamentary private secretary. It was no easy task for an eager Conservative to be Liberal minister in a predomihis duties with tack From 1937 Agnew was parliamentary private secretary to Sir Philip Sassoon, then First Commissioner of Works.

Loyalty to his party was one of his characteristics, as he was to demonstrate even when a greater loyalty, that to his have gone out of his career, country, took him back to sea with his five-year absence on the outbreak of war in from the centre of political 1939. He was mentioned in operations. He was briefly an dispatches for his part in the assistant whip in the "care-Narvik operations in which taker" government of May

on August 27. He was 61. He making him a bridge between under Dr Mossadio (1950-53)

was among the dozen leaders the old and the new. His resulted in a short spell in

was more readily comprehen-

sible to the man in the street

than was the poetry of Numa

Yoshij. Nevertheless, even for

the better educated reader, it

Born and educated in

Mashad, not far away from the

birthplace of Firdausi, he be-

came a teacher in a village

near Tehran before joining the

can be a struggle at times.

Chamberlain who by May 1940 was fighting for his political life. In the event this support, communicated via Agnew's wife, was not made public until it appeared in a letter to The Times on May 13, 1940, by when Chamber-lain had fallen and Churchill the right-hand man to a had become prime minister. Agnew later served in the nantly Tory House of Com- cruiser Kent on north Atlantic mons, but Agnew carried out and Arctic convoys, before coming back to London as training commander at the Greenwich naval college in October 1944, an appointment which allowed him, at least partially, to resume par-

liamentary attendances. But the impetus appeared to

Described by one com-

mentator as "an emotional

entic of all of our history of

defeats". Saless's poetry was

remarkably free of "social

criticism". Though reflecting

the turmoil of Iran in modern

times, he often also wrote love

poems that are moving and

After the Islamic revolution

the general election of that year. He continued as an opposition whip during the years of Attlee's first government, but in 1950, with his constituency now redrawn as Falmouth and Camborne, he lost his seat to his old Labour opponent, F. H. Hayman, who had breathed down his neck in 1945. Although Labour's fortunes were now palpably on the wane he did not stand at the 1951 general election, and until he was returned in 1955 as member for South Worcestershire, managed a large farm.

In 1956 he brought an action against Beaverbrook Newspapers and John Gordon over an article published in the Sunday Express in which Gordon had criticised Punch, suggesting it had become a political organ with a left-wing bias. It was alleged that Commander Agnew had recently taken over Punch, that he was lacking in loyalty to his party. and that his constituents should "get after him." But Commander Agnew had never had any connection with Punch, and the defendants published a full correction and apology, and paid £500 dama From 1955 onwards Ag-

new's role was very much that the beleaguered Neville of stout backbencher, and he was one of a small group who used to assist the increasingly frail Winston Churchill on his attendances at the House. He was an influential member of the 1922 committee and his loyalty to party held firm during the Suez crisis. This loyalty made the words of warning he uttered during the Macmillan leadership crisis of 1962 carry even more weight, and when he spoke of "unease in all sections of the party" he was given serious attention by the Tory bierarchy.

Agnew was also a staunch and loyal churchman. He had been, from 1935, a member for Truro diocese in the House of Laity of the Church Assem-

He had many hobbies, among them being paintings. wood-cutting, and the care of young trees. After the death of his first wife, he married, in handsome, with great ability his ship, the destroyer Bed-and personal charm. Many ouin, took part. But during though with a majority son. The marriage was dis-found the naval forthrightness these fierce battles off the slashed from 6,905 to 584 — solved in 1987. He is survived during the I about landshide at by the son of his first marriage.

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MAXWELL JONES

January 4, 1907.

MAXWELL Jones was a pioneer in the democratisation of mental health treatment giving more attention to the views of patients than had hitherto been the case. He was born in Queenstown, South Africa, but grew up in Edinburgh and graduated from the University of Edinburgh Medical School in 1935. He studied medicine at the universities of Pennsylvania and Columbia for two years as interrupted by the outbreak of the second world war. He went to Mill Hill Emergency Hos-pital, where he worked with soldiers suffering from cardiac neurosis, a stress reaction to army life which had symptoms similar to a heart

Jones established groups and meetings of patients and staff as a part of treatment The patients not only dis-ussed their physical coniitions but also their personal concerns. The patients grad-ually took the lead in teaching newcomers about their disorders, and the staff assumed an auxiliary role. The programme succeeded in sending three out of four soldiers back to duty and attracted international attention. The power of the group, rather than a medical hierarchy, to solve problems formed a nucleus of

disorder.

Jones's subsequent work. Following the war Jones worked with traumatised exprisoners of war in a hospital near Dartford, Kent. He and his team implemented the social structure used at Mill Hill to find social and vocational roles for the former POWs in the local commumity. After the POWs had returned to their respective communities Jones became convinced that the method he had developed would work with "social misfits" - drifters, alcoholics and addicts, the chronically unemployed and many young people on the margins of civilian society. The ministries of health, lab-

Dr Maxwell Shaw Jones, CBE. a psychiatrist specialising in rehabilitation, died aged 83 on August 19. He was born on lamaged 4 100? pital renamed Henderson it specialised in the treatment of

chronic character disorders. In 1959 Jones became Visiting Commonwealth Professor of Psychiatry at Stamford University, California, He pioneered the extension of the therapeutic community in a prison in California, which was later extended to 12 others. He was one of the few non-Americans to receive the Isaac Ray Award of the American Psychiatric Association. He was director of low. His postgraduate work at the Maudsley in London was interrupted by the manufacture of the Maudsley in London was interrupted by the manufacture of the manufactu Psychiatry at Oregon Medical School from 1960 to 1962.

> Jones became physician superintendent of Dingleton Hospital in Scotland, staying there till 1969. He transformed the mental hospital with a community-based comprehensive mental health programme, setting the pace for revolutionary mental health reorganisation. In the hospital decisions were made at a daily meeting of staff and patients. The staff trained GPs to care for disturbed people in the community. Later, the groups included clergy, police, probation officers, district nurses and those in the school system. Forums in which local residents could meet and discuss social problems became an extension of the thera-Deutic Community.

Returning to Britain in 1962

Jones was a staff development consultant at Fort Logan Mental Health Centre in Denver, Colorado, from 1969 to 1974. His emphasis shifted to education and its disorder.

He remained in the United States, working as a consultant until 1982 when he moved to Welfville, Nova Scotia, Canada. The author of seven books. Jones was a member of the expert advisory panel of the World Health Organisation and a Fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists,

In 1954 he was appointed CBE for his work at Dartford. He is survived by his wife, our and pensions immated the Chris, and three daughters.



Horticulture

High notes at Argyllshire Gathering

MEHDI AKHAVAN SALESS

as exemplified by Roudaki, programmes for the national

Mr J.M. Oulton and Niss L.J. Hunter The engagement is announced between Jonathan, elder son of Mr and Mrs Michael Oulton, of Rottingdean, Sussex, and Lucy. second daughter of Dr and Mrs John Hunter, of Great Massingham, Norfolk.

Mr R.A.C. Pardoe and Miss H.E. Brooks The engagement is announced between Rupert, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Pardoe, of Hampstead, London, and Hilary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Brooks, of West Horsley, Surrey.

Mr C. Parnell and Miss P.A. Best The engagement is announced between Colin, son of the late Mr and Mrs F. Parnell, and Patricia Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Best.

and Sophia, daughter of the late Mr G.G.D. Simpson and Miss J. Ropner The engagement is announced between Graham, son of Brigadier and Mrs John Simpson, of Hampshire and Sydney, and Jenny, elder daughter of Sir John Ropner Bt, of Thorp Perrow, Bedale, North York-shire, and Milet Delme-

Marriages

Mr D.C. Fulford and Ms J.C.A. Deacon The marriage took place on August 4, 1990, at St Agnes Parish Church, Cawston, between Mr D.C. Fulford and Ms J.C.A. Deacon.

Mr M.H. Thomas and Miss A.B. Stephenson
The Service of Blessing took
place on Saturday, August 18,
1990, at the Church of St Mary, Driffield. Gloucestershire, following the marriage of Mr Maxwell Thomas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Howard Thomas. of Beaconsfield. Buckinghamshire, to Miss Angela Stephen-son, daughter of Mr and Mrs Donald Stephenson, of Ifield, Sussex. The Rev Canon Peter Jeffnes officiated.

Appointment

Mr Mark Jones to be keeper of coins and medals at the British

covered, to form a building that will house all the Argylishare Gathering's piping compentions under one roof. Until then, no doubt there will always be complaints by

pipers that they must walk in all weathers from St Columba's hall to the Corran Halis, or to the Great Western Hotel, between events. Inverness, fortunate to have the Eden Court Theatre, has blotted from many memories the former peripatetic nature of the Northern Meeting piping events.

The 108th piping competition of the Argyllshire Gathering saw further rearrangements, in particular the former winners' march, Strathspey and reel being held on the Wednesday instead of at the games on the Thursday. The number of pipers competing commues to increase.

The principal event, for the Sergeant Brian Donaldson, Scots Guards, who played one of the highest prizes for number who qualified by and reel was won by William

£2.817.170.

Louis Bosworth Hurt's

Auction records fall

SEVERAL auction records scape, sold for a record

were broken at Sotheby's an- £82,500 against an estimate of

nual sale of Scottish and only £12.000-£18.000. It was

sporting paintings at Glen-bought over the telephone by a

eagles Hotel, Perthshire, on European collector. The top

Tuesday evening which total- price in the sale was £88,000

led £1.713.998, making the paid by the Carlyle Gallery of

two-day total for the auction Edinburgh for a still-life with

impressive painting "Sun- John Peploe. A Japanese

shine and Shower" of 1897, collector paid £57,200 for a

depicting stags and hinds in a golfing scene painted in 1920

spectacular mountain land- by Sir John Lavery.

Gathering and Northern Meeting, rather than winning the Silver Medal or a lesser prize in the Gold Medal event. The Senior Piobaireachd

event, open only to Gold Medallists, for the Grant's Senior Piobaireachd Trophy and the Argyli and Sutherland Highlanders Cup, was won by Donald MacPherson, who has taken these prizes several times before. He played "Lady MacDonald's Lament", composed in 1790 by Angus the Duke of Argyll, and MacArthur. The Silver Medal, open to

pipers not eligible for the Gold Medal, was won by Lance Corporal Michael Gray, Q.O.H. The MacGregor Memorial

Piobaireachd Competition, founded in 1981 by the Highland Society of London, in memory of John MacGregor, piper to Prince Charles Edward in 1745, is an exacting Highland Society of London's competition for pipers aged 21 Gold Medal, was won by and under, in which each competitor must play two tunes, and is judged on both, Ronald MacDonald of This year the first prize was Morar's tune, "The Vaunt- won by Mary Ann Macing", known in Gaelic as "A Kinnon, who played "Beloved Bhoilich", or Nonsense. There Scotland", and the "Lament were 29 competitors for this, for the Viscount of Dundee". First prize in the former piobaireachd, including a winners' march, Strathspey

Japanese jar and roses by the

Scotush colourist Samuel

PERHAPS one day MacCaig's selection by the joint com- McCallum. He also took sec- Walker, R H F, who also came Tower in Oban will be muttee of the Argyllshire and prize in the Senior second in the A Strathsper ond prize in the Senior Probaireachd event, playing and reel. The B section march "The Groat". On an aggregate of points awarded for these two events, he also won the Royal Celtic Society's prize for the best all-round piper.

The Duke of Argyll's medal for Argyll pipers aged under lo years was won by Alasdair Cain.

The march of the stewards and members of the Argyllshire Gathering through Oban to the games field was led by accompanied by a pipe band formed by the competitors in the second day's events. This was led, according to tradition, by the winner of the Gold Medal, Sergeant Donaldson.

The day started with the competitions for local pipers for march, Strathspey and reel. The march was won by Charles Ferguson, and the Strathspey and reel by Lance Corporal Neil MacCallum, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Charles Ferguson was also second in the Strathspey and reel event, and so won the Duncan cup for the best local The open competitions are

now graded into A and B sections. In the march events, the A section was won by Lance Corporal Gordon

Sir John Hamilton Wedgwood,

2nd Baronet of Home Farm,

Leighton Bromswold, Cam-bridgeshire, former deputy chairman of Josiah Wedgwood

and Sons, the Staffordshire pot-

tery and porcelain company, left

unsettled estate valued at

Mr Brian Frederick Hawkes, of

Newnham, Kent, the ornithologist and wildlife photographer, left estate valued at £66,960 net.

Mr Norman Pike, of Trow-

bridge. Wiltshire, farmer, seft

Latest wills

£33,490 net.

second in the A Strathspey was won by Corporal Michael Elder, Black Watch. In the Strathspey and reel com-petitions, the A section was won by Bruce Gandy, and the section by Mary Ann MacKinnon.

The full results were as follows: 1 Spt Brien Donaldson. Scale Cuards: 2 Donald McBride: 3 L/Cpj Gordon Walker R H F: 4 Jonathan Gillespie. mier Piobaireashd: 1 Donald Mac-nerson: 2 William McCaffiern: 3 odersto MacLeod: 4 Sgt Alasdair Illies. Q O H. Silver Medal: 1 L/Cpi Michael Gray Q.O.H.: 2 latin Hurst: 3 Cpi Michael Elder, Black Watch: 4 Porry Grosset: 5 Alan Minty. Jimier (Lossi): 1 Alasteir Cain; 2 Tony Campbell: 5 Alian MacColl; 4 Marth (Leaf): 1 Charles Ferguson; 2 Gordon Rowan A & S Hidre; 5 Certy Strathspay & Ree! (Lossi): 1 Neil MacCalitum. A & S Hi Charles Ferguson; 3 Gordon F A & S Hidrs. M S & R (Former Winners): 1 Will McCaltum: 2 Murray Henderson 3 Sqt Alandau Gillies, Q O H.

Staroh 'A': 1 L/Col Gordon Wellse H F: 2 Michael Cusack: 3 Wil Brown; 4 Colin MacLellan: 5 Ros McSharmon. March 47, 1 Cpi Michael Elder, Bl Watch, 2 iam Speirs, 5 L/Cpi Mich Gray, Q O H.; 4 Lorne Cousin 5 John MacLeod. Strathspoy & Real 'A': 1 Bruce Ca 2 L/Col Gordon Walker R H Donald McBride: 4 Roderick Leod; 5 Michael Gray. Stratingery & Reel Wh ; Mary Ann Mackinnon: 2 Andrew Bonar: 3 John MacLeod: 4 Andrew Mathleson: L/Sgt Keith Dawts, Sogts Guards. Gregor Memorial: 1 Mary Ann 2 Gavin Wallow: 3 John Burnett.

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remainder of his estate mostly

to relatives.

estate valued at £1,091,119 net. He left £20,000 to the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Hilperton to construct a meeting room, with any balance to follow a further £5,000 which he left to that church to form "the Norman Pike Fabric Fund". £5,000 each to the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association, Trowbridge and District Branch, the Salvation Army, NSPCC, RSPCA, the Dorothy House Foundation, Bath, and the RNID, £1,000 each to the RNLI and the Royal Agricultural Benevolent institution and the

Also in the championship decorative bloom in show.

North-East triumph at national dahlia show

By ALAN TOOGOOD, HORTICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

A GROWER from the North-East of England triumphed at of Hardepool. His exhibit the National Dahlia Society's included hight red Jupiter show by scooping the prize for and its sports 'Rose Jupiter'

upon-Tyne, was awarded the D B Crane cup for a mixed exhibit of dahlias in the championship classes which included an especially note-worthy vase of 'Reg Keene', a medium semi-cactus variety in flame shades. This exhibit was also awarded the Terry Clarke perpetual challenge cup.

Despite the hot dry weather

the show, which took place yesterday in Westminster, central London, was well sup-ported with high-quality exhibits, although the giant decorative dahlias were slightly smaller than usual. The best giant decorative bloom in the show was 'Kidd's Climax', in pink and cream, in an exhibit of 12 giant decoratives in the championship classes staged by Mr G Armstrong, of Hastings. This exhibit was awarded the A T Barnes perpetual challenge trophy. Mr Armstrong also included a new variety of his own raising named 'Liam Thomas Armstrong', in pale yellow with attractively pointed petals.

classes, the Midlands Dahlia new varieties) Mr L Jackson, Society, of Learnington Spa, of Carlisle, has gained the Warwickshire, won the affiliJescot perpenual challenge ated societies class, gaining the Herbert Brown perpetual seedling. As yet unnamed, it challenge cup. This is the was a cactus dahlia in flame shades that enimed for Mr. tenth time the society has won this trophy. The mixed exhibit Jackson this coveted trophy. included three blooms of the popular exhibition variety 'Hamari Gold', one of which was runner up to best giant

petual challenge cup, for giant awarded the J W Montagne cactus and semi-cactus dahl- cup.

(rose-pink) and "Pink Jupiter" Mr D P Boyd, of Newcastle-mon-Tyne, was awarded the Mr Robin C Pearce, of

Hallow, Hereford and Worcester, has gained the E J Widdowson perpetual challenge trophy for 12 varieties of pompon dahlia. This collection was judged best exhibit of pompons and awarded the Coronation 1953 cup. 'Willo' varieties, popular with exhibitors, were included: 'Willo's Violet' (bright purple), 'Mark Willo' (bright cerise) and 'Willo's Surprise' (very dark rusty red).

In the trophy classes Mr D Hewlett, of Hayes, has gained the Maurice Lord challenge cup for nine varieties of plant decorative dahliss, in which he specialises. The exhibit included several distinctive varieties: blood-red 'Kenora Wildfire' and pure white "Walter Hardisty' with attractively quilled petals.

The Fred Fuller perpetual trophy for nine varieties of pompon dahlia has been won by Mr Robin C Pearce, of Hallow, whose exhibit inchided an especially noteworthy vase of 'Willo's Violet`.

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In the seedling classes (for cup, awarded for the best shades that gained for Mr . The best exhibit in the

novices division was a wase of . six blooms of pompon dahlia 'Moor Place' (deep crimson-purple), staged by Mr A G The Vincent F Parker per- Davies, of Neyland. He was

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

SERVICES

BUSINGUEL - On August 23rd, at The Portland Housetal, in Katrina (née Bowling) and Sarve. a brother. Shelby Alice, for Harrison and Grapt. CHELTON - On August 28th to Patty (nie Booth) and Jonathan, a son, Thomas Edward, a brother for Polly. COYLE - On August 22nd, in Johanneburg, to Astrid (née von Landsberg) and Kevin, a CREWE - On August 25th to Julie and Craham, a daughter, Zara Georgina.

DALRYMPLE - On August 28th, to Here and Jane (née de COUNCY - On August 27th, to Jayne and Joe, a daughter Alice Olivia. Auce Cuvia.

4a CROS - On August 25th to
Patricia (Née Wyatt) and
Julian a son, Alexander
Julian Mallet, a brother for
Henriatta. EDELSTEN - On August 8th, to Mary and Mark, a daughter, Katharine Lucy. EALLOWAY - On August 24th to Tamara and Shaun, a son, Myles Robert, a brother for Ross. GRLLES - On August 26th, at PALEO - On August 21st. at The Portland Hospital, to Paula and Steve Halmo, a boy, Andrew John, 6lb 8cz. Doy, Andrew John, Gib Soz.

MANGOGA: - On August 19th to
Flavia and Nicolas, a daughter Elsemor Jame. A stater for
Lizzie and Etta.

MARRIMOTON - On August
9th, to Frances (née
protection) and Nall a sampler, Florence Amelia.

MAYCOCKS - On August 20th
to Myra (née Kinghorn) and
Richard, a son James
Richard, John, a brother for
Thomas.

LAMERICK - On August 26th,
at The Portland Hospital to AMERICA - On August 26th, at The Portland Hospital to Fiona and Charles, a son, John George Thom, a wrother for Venaca. AMERICAD - On Saturday
August 25th, 8,20pm, at The
Portland Hospital, to
delighted parents Kaltuya
and Mark a beautiful baby McGAREY - On August 21st. to Susie and Andrew, a

Ter defaulter-

Priese the Lord because he is good: sing praises to his name, because he is kind.
Pasim 135: 3 G.N.B. ARMOLD-WINTE - On August 24th, at The Portland Hospital, in Glida and Andrew, a daughter. Liberty Scarlet.

BOOKYER - On August 6th, at Princess Margaret Hospital, to Yvotme and David. a son, and to Adam, Christopher and Richard, a brother (Matthew).

BURTHS

ARNOLD-WHITE - On Aug

Morris) at ho

1.30pm

BIRKHEAD - On August 25th Margaret (née Raiston), widow of John loving Mother of Alexander and Sebastian, gracefully at Sorbeil House, Oxford. Funeral on Friday August 31st at the Chapel of the Convent of St. Clottles, Lechlade, Cios. at 2mm. Donations to the Sorbeil House, Churchill Hospital, Oxford, or garden flowers. BROOKE - On Saturday August 25th 1990 in King Edward V11 Hospital Midhurst, peacefully. Juliet Elizabeth 2nd daughter of Rex and Prue Alliston, Funeral service at Gallidford Crematorium on Friday August 31st at 12.50. Family flowers only, donations in her memory to Macmiltan Urst. King Edward V11 Hospital hospital, Midhurst, West Sussex. Edward VII Hos-huzst. West Sussex.

pital, Midhurst. West Sussex.

Chin. - On August 29th 1990.

after a short tilness in Kuala

Lumpur. Tam Sri Dahuk professor Chin Pung Kee.

Beloved husband of Swee

Yong, father of Kathleen.

Alan, tan and Peter and

father-in-law of Kim. Slang

and Anne and beloved

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regretied by his family circle.

CREDDLE - On August 29th at regretted by his family circle.

CRIDDLE: On August 29th at the Wentworth Grange Nursing Horne. Riding Mill. Northumberland, Agnes McAusland Criddle. dearly loved mother of David and Peter and dear mother-in-law of Marnie. Service and interment at 81. James Church. Riding Mill on Monday September 3rd at 3. James Church. Riding Mill on Monday September 3rd at 3. James

Chushonday Septembrone 28th CROSSMAN - On August 28th CROSSMAN - On Au GROSSMAN - On August 28th
1990 in Taiwan as a result of
a boating accident, Julia mee
Ritchiel and Robert aged 6,
wife and son of Jonathan
and mother and brother of
Nicola. A memorial service
will be held later in England.
Disnogwall. - On August 28th.
Walter Spender, in his 90th
year, suddenly at Henlield.
One time housemaster of St
Edwards. Oxford.
Deadmaster of
Hurstpierpoint and Diocesan
secretary. Chichester.
Crestation private, Memorial
Service to be announced

Cremation private, Memorial Service to be announced later.

FARNELL - On Abgust 24th in Brickwall Nursing Home, Barbara, beloved wife of Leonard Farnell, after a long times and much loving care, Funeral at West Herts Crematorium on Friday September 7th at 12 noon, Flowers to Attnet House, Flowers to Attnet House,

28th 1990, pracefully at her

higms, Aims Many Hitte-Hawcock M.B.E. rauch loved hants great aunt and friend to meny. Private cremation fol-lowed by Service at Ripsystem Church, Devon on Minolay, September 3rd at 3.00 pm. Carally flowers

DATYON - On August 27th. el

Abbots Leigh, nursing home.
After a long lithess. Arthur Trowbridge aged 79. Family please. Donations if desired to The Stroke Unit Prenches Houseld, Stroke Link Prenches Houseld, Bratel.
Funeral arrangements presume

HUNT - On August 22nd 1990 at home. Margaret aged 87 years. Wife of the late Sir William Hunt C.M.G. C.B.E.

Crementors

LAWTON - On Tuesday
August 28th 1990, Diana
Caroline Rose, after a long
tilness. Funeral Golders
Crewn crematorium. Friday
August 31st 1990 at 2.50pm.
Flowers to crematorium or
proferably donations to St.
John's and St. Etizabeth
Hospital, St. Jehn's Wood.
London NWS. Hospice
Appeal.

and much loved m Susan Batty.

FRANCE - On August 24th, suddenly, Elisabeth (Vchmota, Chiema), willow of Audrew, loved by all her family and frends, At her request only her dose family in the Functual (Omie) and Robert, a daugh-ier. Teres Perv. Dib 15cc. Co. On Alex Call 1990, to Therese (use Pickard) and PRESTON - On July 19th Dorothy Amy, wife of the late Thomas Anthony Freston and mother of Lucia and Petra. Service of Thankspiving at St Macy's. Bepton on Saturday September 18th at 3pm.

a son, Alexander McGregor.

ETABLET FIREZ - On August
19th in Nairoth, Kenya to
Karen (ale Bell) and Mark, a
daugither. Freya Lorna. a
sister for Tess.

Maddstone. to Tracey (ale
Cardner's and Nick a besite
tel daugither, Jastunie Grace.

WABTERS - On August 27th,
to Caroline and Robert, a
son. William Gabriel. a
brother for Hangar, Elemenand Jack.

ANNIVERSABLES

CURITY: MART - On August 30th 1950 Kernelli Hamilton to Marjorle Circly at Saint Donathic's Priory. London NWS, Deo gratis. Now at Heremarket. Statiols.

ALEXANDER - On August 25th, pencelony of Crological Hospital Clarity E (Resen), aged 90. of West Wickham. Primeral at Beckenham Crematorium on Tuesday September 4th at 12.30 pm. Flowers and Enquiries to Francis Chappell, 081-777

ALLIETON . See Brooke APOS - G. Aussed 25th and 67. William (Bill). Loved and loving husband of Pat. Eather of Arst. father-in-law of David and grandizather of David and Thomas. Late of AMWD, MPBW and PSA. BATTY SEE HUNT

BURNS - On August 28th 1990, in Tumbridge Wells. Olivia Courtenzy, widow of Gilbert Talbol. of Oundle and Estimation.

West Lodge. Bishops Walk, Crowdon, Shrrey. peacefully in his steep at home. Leonard Edwin. aged 76 Years. Loving husband of the late Clare Louise Tiller. Dear father of Elizabeth Anne & grandfather to David William Gordon. Fineral at Croydon Crematorium on Thursday August 30th at 1.30pm

WILLIAMS - On August 27th. suddenly in hospital Alfred Hewiell Road. Cheltenham. Hewiett Road. Cheltenham. John Jacki aged 79 years of Cheltenham Dear father of Cheltenham Cheltenham Service at Hoty Aposites. Church, 2.45pm Tuesdey September 4th. All friends welcome. Family flowers only. donations to British Heart Foundation or Sue Ryder Home, C/O Mason & Slokes Funeral Directors, 54 Hewiett Road. Cheltenham. Gi.52 6AH.
WITHAM - On August 24th. trastcally in a car arcident Henry. aged 18. Private cremation, but a thanispiving service will be held at 5t Mary's Church. Widford. On Sunday September 9th at 5pm. No Govers please, but donations may be given if desired to Great Ormond Street Childrens Hospital Fund. 49 Oreas Ormond Street.

woods - On August 26th, peacefully in Southport Nursing Home, Mrs Cladys Jex (nee Stoddart), in her 93rd year, Widow of Frank Unsworth Woods of Ovingdean, Sussex, Private crimation, Nursortal Service later at Ovingdean, All enquiries W. G. Dixon. (0744) 23007

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24. Claudie. wife of PereFrace and mother of David
and Dominique. Requirem

Mass at The Carmeitie
Church, 41 Kensington
Church Street, London, W8.
at 11.00 am Friday September 7. and afterwards
champagne entouries to 071
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R C SHERRIFF'S play Journey's End about trench life in the first world war achieved enormous success when it was put on in both London and New York, but it seems a shade bizarre that the Germans, on "the other side of the hill", found it

equally absorbing.

"JOURNEY'S END" IN BERLIN

AN ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION (FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, Aug. 29 Die andere Seite, the German version of Journey's End, was produced at the Deutsches Künstlertheater this evening. The audience was mainly representative of "the other side," but included many people who saw the War from the side which Mr. Sherriff portrays. His play held this combined audience as rapt as it did audiences in London

and New York. It is hard to say in what proportions it was a tribute to the play or to the German actors that for long periods one English onlooker completely forgot that the men moving on the stage were not of the nationality of the characters they represented. Captain Stanhope, Lieutenant Osborne, Lieutenant Trotter, Second Lieutenant Raleigh; these men lived vividly in the persons of the German players. There was "Uncle" without whom no selfrespecting dug-out was ever complete ; in Berlin he was "Onkel," but he was undeniably the man one

remembered at Ypres and the Somme. Herr Kayssler gave a fin-ished portrait of the man, and his absence was felt when he had gone out to lead the raid in which he killed. His performance and that of Herr Wiemann, who played the nerve-wracked but indomitable Company Commander, Stanhope, were outstanding achievements. Physically, Herr Wiemann fitted the part almost exactly, and the manner in which he suggested the unbearable nervous strain under which Stanhope laboured, and the effect of the whisky with which he tried to overcome it, was masterly. Herr Möbes also looked and acted remarkably like the young English schoolboy, Raleigh, fresh to the front and full of ardour. Herr Otto, as the Colonel, and Herr Marlow, as the Sergeant-Major, also fitted perfectly into the picture. The other actors were less like British officers in appearance, but the play and the way they acted made Englishmen of them. Die andere Seite cast its spell over

the audience from beginning to end, with, perhaps, a very slight break in the second act, after Osborne had been killed. The drunken orgy in the drug-out, by means of which Stanhope tries to forget Osborne's death, was, one felt, a very little overplayed. The spell faltered a little here, but descended again as soon as the orgy was over and Stanhope and Raleigh held the stage once more. This intensely moving play held the audience so bound that for a few moments after the curtain had fallen upon the collapsing dug-out at St Quantin, with Stanbope going out to certain death, there was complete silence. Then as the curtain rose and the players appeared loud and pro-longed applause broke out, which increased as Mr Sherriff appeared in their midst, and continued for some

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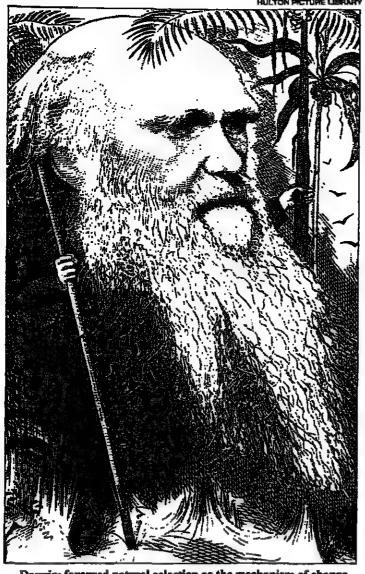


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Challenging Darwin's sacred theory of life



Darwin: favoured natural selection as the mechanism of change

s one of science's most sacred icons, the classical theory of evolution, which holds that species adapt through random genetic changes, has stood largely un-challenged for well over century. But that may change with the announcement of dramatic new evidence that, on the face of it, strikes at the heart of one of the theory's founding principles.

The evidence comes from Dr Barry Hall, of Rochester Univer-sity in the United States, who has found that certain changes, or "mutations", in the genetic code of bacteria occur more often when they are useful to bacteria than when they are not.

This may seem to be nothing more than the canny survival strategy of a few bugs, but it challenges the basic belief that harmful or "neutral" spontaneous mutations are just as likely as useful ones.

Generations of scientists since Charles Darwin have clung to this belief tenaciously, saying that the genetic mutations underlying evolution's slow grind occur randomly and without regard to their sefulness. Humans evolved from slime not by way of "purposeful" mutations, or even mutations riggered by environmental cues, but by natural selection.

By this process, random genetic mutations, which happen to make an organism more successful and produce more offspring, are passed on with greater frequency to succeeding generations than barmful ones. Evolutionary theorists have pointed to many examples of adaptation in nature such as the long neck of the giraffe which enables them to take food from trees,

But the new research suggests

Will scientists have to revise their views about evolution? David Concar reports on a revolutionary theory from America



Sticking their necks out: giraffes are seen as a classic example of adaptation in nature

that useful and harmful genetic mutations may arise at different rates depending on the stresses an organism faces in its environment. the world of evolutionary biology, this idea is nothing short of heresy. Evolutionary heretics and de-

fenders of the faith last locked horns when a British-born biologist, John Cairns, and two colleagues at Harvard University made a similar claim two years ago.

At first glance, their results, like Dr Hall's, seemed to conflict with the basic belief that an organism cannot adapt its genes to suit its environment. Physical characteristics and behaviour flow from genes but information does not flow in the opposite direction

- or so the orthodox theory holds. Debated with all the fervour of a religious conflagration, Dr Cairns's heretical discovery was eventually dismissed over a lack of rigorous laboratory evidence. But Dr Hall has extended Dr Cairus's observations, showing that they may be more general than originally thought. "I can demonstrate this effect every day in my laboratory, and there is reason to believe that it occurs in

nature as well," he says.
The orthodox view of evolution rests on the assumption that the production of genetic mutations is completely separate from the process of natural selection. But Dr Hall's findings suggest a much more intimate relationship be-

tween the two. "If this turns out to be widespread, we will have to revise most of what we think about the way evolution works," he says. One implication of his finding is that adapative evolution may be faster than biologists have thought.

But exactly how beneficial mutations arise in bacteria more often than harmful or neutral ones is still a mystery. Reporting his findings in the latest issue of the journal Genetics, Dr Hall proposes an underlying random mechanism in which some genes are more prone to mutations than others during times of stress.

"I am not saying that bacteria are directing their own evolution," he emphasises. Whereas Dr Cairns

refers to the mutations as "di-rected mutations", Dr Hall prefers the term Cairnsian, in honour of

the term Cairnsian, in honour of their original discoverer.

In his experiments, Dr Hall examined genetic mutations in strains of the bacterium Escherichia coli. Taking bacteria that normally depend on the availability of the amino acid tryptophan for growth, he deprived them of their nutrient for long periods of time. long periods of time.

he result was that the deprived colonies began producing mutant strains capable of synthesising their own supply of tryptophan at a rate far in excess of the normal rate. But the only mutations which increased at the accelerated pace were those related to synthesising tryptophan.

He demonstrated a similar response from bacteria that were unable to make cysteine, another amino acid nutrient. "It is the specificity of the process that is so surprising," Dr Hall says. In the light of the new research, the conventional view of random mutations in evolution may have to be revised, but the basic premise of natural selection will

still stand. Charles Darwin himself favoured natural selection of accidental variation in a species as the main mechanism of adaptive change, but did not rule out the possibility of an environmental

influence, an opinion for which he was criticised by later biologists. By contrast, variation induced by environmental influences is the sole adaptive mechanism in the earlier evolutionary theory of the 18th century French naturist Chevalier de Lamarck.

What are Old Masters made of? A new technique involving a proton microprobe scanner can date and identify works of art from slivers of paint

hen Rembrandt painted The Anatomical Lesson, he provided scientists and art lovers with a fascinating glimpse into the study of human anatomy in the 17th century. Now, tiny slivers of paint from his works and those of some of his

contemporaries are being used to understand the anatomy of the paintings themselves.

The department of nuclear physics at Oxford University and the National Gallery are working on a joint project, funded by the Science and Engineering Research Council, which uses a scanning proton microprobe (SPM) to analyse samples of lead white pigment taken from canvases. The powerful microprobe, which has

several features in common with In the SPM, a nuclear particle

the more familiar scanning electron microscope (SEM), can be used to detect minute traces of elements in samples smaller than I micron, about one hundredth of the diameter of a human hair. Art historians and restorers

have been quick to see the advantages of adding the SPM to their existing armoury of analytical techniques. Information about the nature of the materials used is important for the restoration and attribution of paintines and can provide insights into the techniques used by artists in the past.

accelerator produces a high energy beam of protons of about 3 million volts. The protons are focused down on to a 1 micron spot, and the beam is scanned across the surface of a specimen. When the beam penetrates the sample, energy is released in the form of X-rays, and it is possible to determine what is in the sample by displaying the X-ray energies as

peaks on an X-ray spectrum.

The Oxford SPM group, comprising Dr Julian Henderson, a science-based archaeologist, Dr Milko Jaksic of the nuclear physics department at Oxford, and Dr Ashok Roy and Dr Aviva Burnstock of the scientific department at the National Gallery in London, has already collaborated with scientists in the Louvre in Paris on a study of the pigment layers in a painting by the 17th century artist Le Nain, which has shed light on

how the artist mixed his colours. Poisonous lead white pigments have been used by artists since at least the 13th century but have been replaced by other white pigments in the 20th century. Their exact use in a painting depends on the period and the

artist, but Dr Burnatock says "they were used in just about every aspect of painting at some time". Rembrandt commonly mixed lead. white with other pigments to make a shade, and some 19th century artists used it to prime canvases.

Lead white was obtained from various sources in Europe and made in a number of ways, leading the National Gallery scientists to suspect it might contain different proportions of trace elements that could not be measured using standard analytical techniques. Dr Henderson says the use of

the SPM in the Rembrandt study

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able ways. It has great potential".

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MEDICAL BRIEFING Dr Thomas Stuttaford

lizabeth I was multilingual at an age when most of loday's children are strug-gling with Janet and John; 150 years later, the conversation of precocious Georgians was on philosophy and classics, while their modern contemporaries would have thoughts only for Gary Lineker and Gazza Gas-

Children's ability to learn seems to some extent to be determined by expectation and training but even the most erudite 18th century family would be surprised at the methods used at the California Prenatal Unit, where Professor Glen Doman, the director, has started to enrol children in his classes at the 24th week of their intrauterine life

Dr Keith Thompson, writing in the magazine Doctor, describes Professor Doman's use of ultrasonic and echographic equipment to observe the effect

essons in the womb

on his pupils of external stimuli. It seems that the foetus shares the horror felt by its grandparents' generation for the sounds of Jimi Hendrix or Acid House music, whereas classical harmonies are well received.

Professor Doman has shown that the unborn child reacts pleasurably to its mother's voice, an experiment which builds on earlier work done in New Zealand which demonstrated that newborn children recognise the voice of their father when they meet for the first time in the neo-

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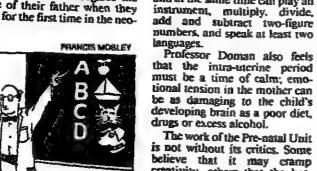
anything other than perfect physical and mental health.

would be an admission that the

feeling experienced by many prisoners, who fear that in future

they will be able to relate closely

only to others who have shared



The work of the Pre-natal Unit is not without its critics. Some believe that it may cramp creativity, others that the hot-house children will burn out early. These critics may be heartened by the research published this week of Dr Vasudevi Reddy of Portsmouth Polytechnic, who has demonstrated that a child's sense of humour is well developed by the age of six

natal ward. Professor Doman

applies receivers to the pregnant mothers' abdominal wall so that

they can speak to their children more clearly, not unnaturally,

they respond to tone of voice

rather than the actual words. Later the Doman-educated

children, particularly it they are also breast-fed, are not only

more intellectually alert than

their contemporaries but have

brisker reflexes, are stronger physically, and have better hair.

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Birth is no excuse for slacking

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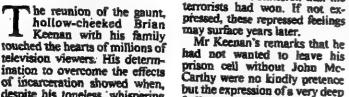
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the same experience, and that their emotional responses, or the lack of them, will be misunderstood by those who have not lived through the same ordeal. Returning hostages have to learn that it is unwise to expect a family to be able to comprehend fully the degree of psychological distress suffered; the family for their part have to realise that the experience will have changed a victim's values, and that once cherished and shared beliefs which used to be important may



television viewers. His determination to overcome the effects of incarceration showed when, despite his toneless, whispering voice, his nervous mannerisms. and disorganised breathing, he was still able to display the sense of humour for which he was famed before becoming a hostage.

Dr Caroline Gorst Unsworth

Prisoners

of the past

of the Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture, the London-based organisation which is rapidly becoming accepted as a world leader in the field, said that after the initial euphoria of having a prisoner home there is nearly always some degree of disappointment, as family and friends have to modify their expectations in the incidence of family disintegration in these circumstances is evidence that continuing experienced psychological support is needed if readjustment is to be successful

Dr Gorst Unsworth has found that it is easy for the ex-prisoner to become dehumanised, partly because everybody wants to meet the hero of the moment. and all too easily he can become an exhibit to be wheeled on and off the social stage. In order to cope with this exposure, the victim has to repress his feelings of depression and the sense of pain which captivity has given him, for he feels that to show any

Soldiers' stomachs

The British Army fighting in the Boer War suffered many more casualties from gastro-intestinal bacteria than at the hands of Generals Botha and Smuts and their commandos. Knowledge of hygiene and field catering has improved over the past 90 years, but if the desert heat of the Gulf does allow bacteria to proliferate, the British forces can rest assured that they will not suffer as their predecessors on the veldt did, for the Ministry of Defence has equipped them with large supplies of Ciproxin (ciprofloxacin), an antibacterial agent which rapidly kills a wide variety of organisms, and is particularly useful against gastroenteritis.

The ministry advisers suggest Ciproxin, a 4-quinolone, should be the first line of attack against bacterial diarrhoea, but should not be prescribed to air crews as it occasionally causes sleepiness

and even some mild confusion. with loss of dexterity, undesirable side-effects in a pilot flying many millions of poundsworth of Jaguar or Tornado armed with a lethal weaponry of rockets and cluster bombs.

now seem trivial.

In civilian life there are other contraindications to the use of 4 quinolones; they should not be prescribed for epileptic patients or children, and do not mix with lants or the theothylline preparations used to treat asthma. The use of Ciproxin is not

confined to the treatment of gut troubles, as it is also effective against a host of other infections. including bronchitis, throat, ear and eye infections, and even penicillin-resistant gonorrhoea.

This month another 4-quinolone, Utinor (norfloxacin), has been introduced by Merck Sharp & Dohme specifically for cystitis and urinary tract infections. The drug is concentrated in the urine to levels 200 times higher than in the patient's blood. A three-day course, 400mg twice daily, clears 97 per cent of urinary infections.

Helping hand for mothers

Is massage for mother and baby the solution to postnatal exhaustion?

> Barbara Lamb investigates

ost-natal depression is

taken seriously by the medical profession, and is often treated with anti-However, the wider problem of exhaustion which usually sets in following childbirth and can be the cause of the depression, tends to be regarded as inevitable and unimportant. A mother and baby recovery programme, new to this country, is now claiming to offer some help.
The Maharishi Ayurveda

Mother and Baby Programme takes the mother's wellbeing as much to heart as that of the baby. The programme recognises that while the infant usually thrives, it can take several weeks, often months, for a woman to feel herself again after giving birth. Elizabeth Stafford, a 39-year-old pharmacist from Nottingham. who took the course shortly after the birth of her son last October, says that as a consequence she experienced none of the overwhelming fatigue that followed the birth of her first two children, now aged five and seven. Despite a difficult labour, she had an abundance of energy that surprised her. Within four weeks she was able to resume work full-time.

Using herbalised oils, a relaxing but rigid regimen of daily body massage by a trained therapist concentrates on the areas most affected by the pregnancy and labour, such as the abdomen and lower back. In the United States, where there are 15 clinics devoted to Maharishi Ayurveda, doctors claim that the oil belps to balance the system as it penetrates the skin. This programme - a one to six-week course - has been runming in America for three years.

The massage, known as Abhyanga, is carried out in the woman's home, and the father of the child is encouraged to help. At the same time, both parents are taught a simple baby massage technique which, it is claimed, results in a happier, more relaxed

The mystical sounding "Ayurveda" (roughly, the science of life), of which transcendental meditation is an integral part, had its roots in India 5,000 years ago. The natural "mind and body approach" to treatment is recommended by its practitioners for many 20th century ailments and stress-related illnesses. Rosemary Patterson, a physio-

therapist trained in Abhyanga, who treated Mrs Stafford, has seen women with previous difficulties sail through the post-natal period after using the method. "It is imperative to prevent any tiredness cycle building up," she says. "Once that cycle starts, a new mother is locked into it and it becomes all-consuming." Women are encouraged to start the programme as soon as possible after delivery. Many of those treated by Ms Patterson tend, like Mrs Stafford, to be older mothers on



their second and third babies and notice the contrast. The baby is easier to deal with because the mother is more relaxed.

Baby massage also helps, Ms Patterson says, to give infants better sleeping patterns and an' increased resistance to infection. "One woman I treated had severe post-natal depression with her first child, and was apprehensive about it occurring with the second, but it didn't happen," she says. "As well as problems with the abdomen and the lower back, all during the latter stages of pregnancy. This causes pain around the pelvic area. The treatment also speeds up the process of getting the system back to its pre-

pregnancy state." As an older mother, intent on resuming her career as soon as possible, Mrs Stafford felt this programme, though expensive (courses cost £275 for the first week of treatment, £245 for each consecutive week), was worth a try. She found a one-week course vas sufficient.

"With my first baby," she says, "it was an shock to discover how painful and traumatic the whole thing can be, and afterwards how demanding it is. When you're really depressed, things just looked gloomy. It was no better with my second.

"This time, after an exhausting labour, when I returned home my two older boys seemed very noisy and my nervous system very jangly. After only a few days' treatment I felt more relaxed." Her abdomen, which she said

was delicate and tender, returned to normal in a few days and the low back pain which resulted from epidural lifted completely Both she and her husband learnt the technique for massaging their son and they maintain he has been the easiest of the three. American-born Angela Lesley,

who is an Abhyanga technician, says that the increased responsibility can tire the father, too. She emphasises the role he can play. "Once the father learns the baby massage it helps him to create a special bonding with the child." she says.

Norsh-Ann Luck, a 38-year-old nurse, felt that her husband helped her gain maximum benefit from the treatment. "It connected the three of us in a way that might not have happened without it. Massaging my son was a way of giving

really tired your perception him everything I got myself, and changes and, although I was not my husband felt a special closeness, too. Here was somebody giving me something and I just feit nourished and pampered. It was also the only thing to make a dent in the uredness.

Dr Elizabeth Young, a GP and obstetrician at the Homerton Hospital in east London, has recommended the mother and baby programme to several of her patients and has witnessed the benefits. "Their frame of mind is so much more positive," she says. Pregnancy and delivery are the biggest events a woman can go through in terms of changing physically, emotionally and socially, yet modern medicine is more concerned with how much milk a mother can give the infant. how much care and how much stamina she has to cope."

She is convinced that an increasing number of GPs are becoming aware of the problem. "Midwives I have spoken to even cknowledge that this sort of help is badly needed. There is nothing i have come across in the Maharishi Avurveds treatment that conflicts with my traditional medical training. It just seems to be complementary to it."

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The acceptable face of a nervous breakdown?

The Guinness trial heard how Ernest Saunders had suffered a breakdown under the strain of the investigation. But doctors know there is no such thing - so what really happened to him?

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he term nervous breakvalidity. It appears neither in the international classification of diseases, nor in the index of any of the standard textbooks of psychiatry. A lay medical dictionary defines the term as "a nontechnical term for any mental illness serious enough to inter-fere with daily activities". The definition is so allembracing that it is a godsend to anybody who wants to conceal the truth. It is a

convenient euphemism for bandying about at cocktail boardroom meetings, where the true nature of a patient's mental ill-health needs to be concealed from family, neighbours and colleagues. Doctors have long found that it is an acceptable diagnosis, whereas the precise diagnosis of a patient's mental disease, whether it is depression, acute anxiety state, schizophrenia or any other of the host of psychiatric complaints which would render a patient incapable of carrying on with their daily activities, would

Fortunately, as the stigma of mental disease recedes, and as treatment improves, honesty is beginning to prevail, and an accurate diagnosis is becoming more acceptable.

Ovid, the Roman poet, said

that "a sick mind cannot endure any harshness". Hu-man nature has changed little since the days of Julius Caesar and today, as then, patients with the potential to crack under strain may need protecting if they are not to succumb. When a patient does break, it is usually down a line pre-determined by both their nature and nurture. A doctor can usually make a reasonable social and professional outguess as to how disaster will affect the personality of any particular individual Ernest Saunders has spoken pact on his mental health it is



Changed man: Ernest Sannders in 1986 and (right) 1987

frequently of his plight, and necessary, as in any psychi-his ever-loyal children have atric case, to look into the written extensively on his condition after the Guinness affair erunted. A Swiss doctor called as a witness by Saunders told the court of the "physical and mental exhaus-" of this "broken man" which led him to be admitted to a Swiss psychiatric clinic for 12 days in March 1987, shortly before returning to be interviewed by inspectors from the trade and industry department. Saunders's son. interviewed in the Sunday Times Magazine, described how towards the end of 1987 his father was "chronically depressed" and needed

morpering. Nobody could doubt the strain on any man's psyche of being suddenly moved from a position of power and riches, where he was the revered head and saviour of an old-established firm, to the role of a cast, penniless, and the subject of a score of cruminal charges. To understand the full im-



atric case, to look into the background. Despite his public school and Cambridge education, Saunders was essentially an outsider who longed to be an insider. He was born in Austria, and Jewish, and educated at a time when anti-Semitism was still overt. Dr Michael Nelson, an English psychiatrist with a large practice in Boston. Massachusetts, and a teacher 21 the Harvard Medical School, is also Jewish, and the same age as Saunders. He too was brought up at boarding school in England during the

war. Dr Nelson says: "Nobody who has not met Mr Saunders can talk about the impact of the Guinness affair on his personality. Any Jewish man of his age and background can, however, understand the tensions of his early life. Immigrants have a great desire to be accepted, or if acceptance is asking too much, they hope to that to some extent these can

avoid rejection. To be secure in any iden tity a patient reeds to be able to relate to a strong family and greater family are left behind in Austria, and your culture is rejected by your fellowcountrymen

Striving for status is present in most middle-class families. not merely Jewish ones, and is well described as a factor which renders a personality vulnerable to stress. From the evidence given in

court, and his family's accounts of Saunders's state of mind before the trial, it is difficult to determine what lay behind the term "breakdown" when it was used in the trial; but judging from his background, his success in the City, and descriptions given of his status-conscious personality and rigid relationships with his colleagues, many would have expected him to develop a depressive illness accompanied by a high level of anxiety when the crash came.

Depression is often precipitated by bereavement or loss. and there can be few greater bereavements for a successful businessman who has fought his way by late middle age to be the chief of one of the great commercial houses in this country than to find himself in the dock. Not to be depressed and anxious in these circumstances would be unnatural but to be so depressed as to be unable to cope is an indication that treatment is needed.

In the past, depressive illnesses have been classified in two groups, variously described as psychotic, true or endogenous, and neurotic, reactive or exogenous. The terms are too simplistic, but even so there are obvious differences in the symptoms from which depressed patients suffer, and there is no doubt

be grouped together. The psychotic depressive tends to have early morning waking, even though he may

have fallen asleep rapidly. He loses weight, suffers from a loss of libido and self-respect, and notices that his mood is more optimistic in the evening than in the morning. His physical and mental actions are slowed, and his thoughts repetitive. The reactive depressive, on the other hand, may appear quite animated as he talks incessantly of his problems and his plight. He. too, loses some weight, and finds it difficult to get off to sleep, although once asleep be stavs that way. His mood may well be more dependent on the

company than the time of day. Dr Nelson, like most modern psychiatrists, does not will have a mixture of these classify depression. "Rather, I symptoms, but the actual mix tend to study various signs will vary from patient to and symptoms of disease, for patient." these can be divided into those which are essentially

physical, and those which are mental. The physical signs are the biological response, such the loss of appetite, the loss of libido, insomnia, a slowing of all the bodily mental functions, and for these the only effective treatment is medica-

"But there are also psychological signs and symptoms — the loss of self-esteem, selfdenigration and even anger which may be turned inwards, and perhaps above all a feeling of hopelessness. These symptoms have to be treated by counseiling. Patients, whatever the cause of their trouble,

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Grotesques in a class of their own

Victoria Glendinning follows the continuing adventures of Julian among the eccentrics of London's literary world

it should not be. A.N. Wilson is a professional, fluent and versatile author, and one who knows how to get his effects. Yet his new novel reads like the work of a less experienced writer. This has some advantages; it's bumpy, authentic work, like a hand-knitted sock.

He has set himself problems in his choice of knitting pattern. The pretence of the novel is that it is an autobiography. Yet the narrator, looking back over time, remembers what everyone wore and ate, and recalls whole rafts of dialogue verbatim. His younger self, the subject of this book, is unloveable - not interestingly wicked, just vain, self-absorbed, and lacking in

This novel is a continuation of Incline Our Hearts, which described Julian growing up in a country rectory. Now he is in London, ambitious to act and to write, and working in a Soho pub called the Black Bottle. There is a cast of eccentrics, including a porn-peddler and an alcoholic northerner who wrote, too long ago, a best-seller. Those who are not grotesque to the point of caricature are boring in an upper-class English way. "Rupert Star-ling's dullness was so extreme as to be almost interesting." It's a bit rash to write about people who are

"almost" interesting.

The time is the late 1950s, though you would hardly know it apart from the quantity, and the brands (Senior Service, Park Drive, Du Maurier) of the cigarettes smoked. There is not much story: Julian marries and enjoys a deliriously happy sex-life. Raphael Hunter, the philandering biog-rapher who overshadowed *Include* Our Hearts, is now a literary lion

DOWN one of the electric streets

where Joe Speaker plies his night-

time trade, the Sisters of Perpetual

Indulgence cruise in their nun outfits, tossing out handfuls of

condoms to Joe's at-risk clientele.

while a man called Holy Hubert preaches hellfire and damnation

name is perhaps a coincidence,

and perhaps not, for Homeboy

resembles nothing more than one

of Hubert Selby Jr's ferocious

Brooklyn or Requiem for a Dream

- but with Selby's apocryphal fury

stripped away and replaced by

something like Don DeLillo's

capacity to create a fictional world

and its language entire, indepen-

dent of any other code or system,

ism. Joe, ever on the hunt for

means to feed a hungry habit, is

being tracked for his part in the

his is a good book, though and presenter of an arts pro-there is every reason why gramme on television. He becomes Julian's patron and friend: or does he? Whose side is he on? Influence, snobbery and who-knows-who in English life are the horrid underpinnings to this book. Wilson's knowing mockery of the viler aspects of the London lit-erary world and the "insane vanity" of authors is spot-on.

Hunter has written the first volume of a biography, Petworth Lampitt: The Hidden Years. It horrified the Lampitt family which includes an ambassador,

A BOTTLE IN THE SMOKE By A.N. Wilson Sinclair-Stevenson, £13.95

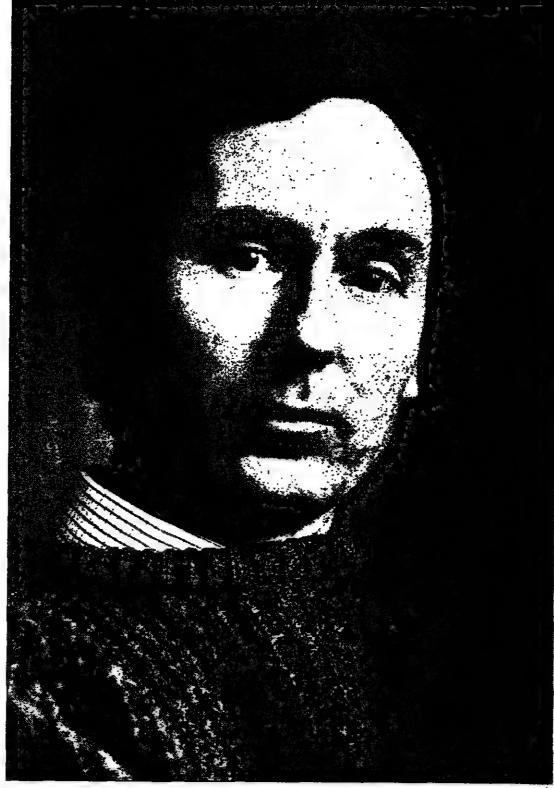
the principal of a women's college at Oxford, a Labour peer, a top civil servant - by its revelations of promiscuous homosexuality. The plot of the book concerns the Lampits' efforts to prevent Hunter writing his second vol-ume, and Hunter's destruction of

our young hero's marriage.
So far, so fairly good, "amost interesting" like Sir Rupert Starling, and with some stunningly funny pages. But there is a redeeming idea behind it all, about the fantasies people live by. Our narrator, in his maturity, includes what amount to essays about religion, love, ambition, and the myths people construct in order to tolerate existence. "At the heart of experience is a bottomless hole of irrationality." Everyone needs something to fill that bole, and if it's not God it will be gin, or something odder.

His Uncle Roy, a vicar of suburban origins, worships the illustrious Lampitt family, following them as if they were the royal family or a football team. Aunt Deirdre lives passionately and equally vicariously through the doings of the Mulberrys (Wilson's alias for the Archers) on the wireless. The theatre, sex, art, are all ways of making life transcend itself. Julian fantasises automatically about other people, turning them into "characters", which is why the grotesques here are so two-dimensional. (When his old schoolteacher turns up, his mannerisms do not seem so authentic to Julian as his own well-practised imitations.)

Everyone is fluid, to be end-lessly reinvented. "It is upon the fallacies of fixed personalities that biographers have made their trade", and Hunter, the demythologising biographer, is the villain of this piece. People have their fantasies of themselves, too. One of the female grotesques claims old love affairs with royalty; and maybe Petworth Lampitt's homosexual diaries were made up. Maybe Julian's "autobiography" is made up, too, now I come to think of it, which would account for all those verbatim conversations.

There are unnerving swings in the novel between farcical scenes and situations, and passages of serious introspection. It is when Julian realises the corruption of his artistic aspirations, which have become a mere flailing around after a fantasy of fame and success, that he begins to change, hoping to write about his experience simply and honestly. (On the evidence, he has a way to go.) Julian quotes Blake's remark that "each man has a world within, greater than the external". It is struggling with both at once that gives this book the un-slick quality which makes



Fluent and versatile: A.N. Wilson forces readers to consider which fantesies are sustaining their own lives

An inside story for nun but the brave

Brian Morton

to the night people. The preacher's Chinese store owner, Wing. Having sacrificed his partner Rooski to a police shoot-out, he lingers too long at the scene and is arrested and jailed on a hold-

istic, or otherw Homeboy is a dangerously deceptive book. Underneath the thin, familiar plot - a witnessed murder, a stolen necklace, crossed paths and destinies - and a raucously accurate rendition of Californian street-talk, it is beautifully and subtly structured, marked by an insistent parallel-

morality tales - Last Exit to Morgan im-

plies that only in jail is there of the order and morality that is so conspicuthe broken mirror of the outside, but hardly "real" world. The

ously lacking in

opposition of outside and inside is

exact, but almost subliminal. The

HOMEBOY

By Seth Morgan Chatto & Windus, £13.99

petual Indulgence are, of course, gay men in drag, en-gaged in a fruitless mission to the underworld. In jail, it is a cross-dressing under-sheriff

whose brief indulgence into overdrive. and it is the convict Reverend Bones, a brutal nemesis with a line in dialogue out of Deuteronomy,

who upholds the law, in sharp contrast to Holy Hubert's flaccid big-tent rhetoric. Morgan steers as far away as possible from any

bought-in morality. He is funny, and like Dickens, creates characters who are instantly identifiable by their speech. Morgan's drug and prison lore have an unmoralised verve that suggests a distinctly chequered personal experience underlies his educated awareness of past literature.

At the time of her death, he was Janis Joplin's fiance. If it is a shock to think of so unguided a missile as she was entering into something as forward-looking as an engagement, there may be some small, uncomfortable truth about Joplin in the portrayal of the street girl, Rings'n'Things, as a lost child of the American middle

Morgan has dragged around his Joe Speaker as a strip-club barker on Broadway, then serving a substantial term in prison for armed robbery. It was during this stretch that he won the (unfortunately named, in the circumstances) PEN essay competition for convicts. Homeboy is a more lasting achievement and a very remarkable one, which far outlives its curiosity value as a view of life

Past clues to the present

ALEJANDRA "Sandy" Stern, in Presumed Innocent, Scott Turow's extraordinary first novel, was the smart defence lawyer to the police chief accused of murder. In The Burden of Proof Stern is the protagonist, trying to unravel the mess of his own life. The two books share a physical, social and legal background; but the reader turning to Turow's second novel should be warned against expecting mere variations on the theme of the first, let alone a follow up. The Burden of Proof, unlike its predecessor, is not a courtroom drama; there is no suspense in waiting for a verdict, no final twist revealing the true perpetrator. It is a mystery story nevertheless, seri-

ous and philosophical. Sandy returns home after a business trip to find his wife Clara in their garage, having deliberately and calmly asphyxiated herself to death. They had been married, apparently contentedly, for 31 years, he had noticed nothing in her to explain her action, and her note curily requested forgiveness but gave no hint of reasons. Their children, grown up and grown

distant, are equally ignorant. Slowly, through his guilt and sorrow, he starts accumulating clues and evidence, treating his wife's suicide almost as he would one of his cases. Shortly before her death, she gave someone \$850,000, but the money cannot be found. More shockingly, there are indications of a sexual liaison; but with whom? His personal quest becomes entangled with his work. There is a link between Clara's conduct and the legal problems of his sister's husband, a highly successful but possibly fraudulent dealer in the commodities market; the authorities are closing in. His dull son-in-law becomes involved. Family, career and the mystery of Clara connect and merge.
This is not, of course, new

territory for the American novel. The anguished journey into past relationships in order to discover and justify the meaning of present existence is a formula verging on the cliché. Turow breaks no original ground: but of its type The Burden of Proof works well

CRIME Marcel Berlins

THE BURDEN OF PROOF By Scott Torow Bleomsbury, £13.99

enough. Stern, the Jewish refugee strong outsider figure, as much in his professional angst as his personal guilt.

His legal training becomes his emotional strength. In his heart be bleeds, but he also analyses the content and flow of his blood. The book (like Presumed Innocent) is full of legal detail, not as informative padding, but as an essential cornerstone of Turow's message. Institutions are what matter, fundamentally. The family is one such; the law is another. Each affects the other, each depends on the other, both are necessary to avoid society lapsing into absurdity. In the end, Turow/Stern emerges optimistic. Stern does not disintegrate, but finds instead new sexual and emotional comforts, under the same rules as he had the old. The Burden of Proof is occasionally wordy and a little pompous, but its characters have strength and some depth. It should not be taken quite as seriously as I suspect the writer would wish us to; it is far

● The Bold Thing, by Mark Daniel (Barrie & Jenkins, £12.95). Another entrant in the When-Dick-Francis-Retires Stakes Micky Brennan is a once successful trainer fallen on bad times (prison, ostracism, bitterness), who finds work in a small Irish stable belonging to a tough, wheel-chair-bound American woman. Enter a valuable stallion, followed by a big betting scam, true love, and the IRA. Daniel knows his racing, but hasn't quite mastered the Francis skill of making it easily comprehensible to the non-racing reader. Good action and plot; more work needed on dialogue.

from being an important novel,

but is not a slight one either.

Fading away in W8

Nicola Murphy

BRIEF LIVES By Anita Brookner Cape, £12.95

BERTRAND Russell described life as a long second best. Ania Brookner's ontlook is very dif-ferent. For most characters in most of her novels on most days, life is no better than overlong soventh best. Her latest is no exception. The mortal coil traps none more firmly than the subjects of Brief Lives: the lonely and unwanted, the ageing and isolated; those who have learnt that life is merely a test of the soul's

At the heart of this wholly convincing, startlingly painful novel is Fay Langdon. She is another classic Anita Brookner creation: a woman denied the sentimental indulgences of love and friendship, a woman with grey spots on her hands and no colour in her hair, a woman, like so many other Brookner women, trying not to panic at the approach of old age. Now in her late sixties, and necessarily worldly wise, she wryly recalls the events of her life. We are supposed to chuckle at her immature and foolish supposition that living would be a happy

By all accounts she leads a very successful life. Blessed with a pretty face, a pretty voice and a little fame as a singer, Fay marries a handsome junior partner in a law firm and lives in his handsome house. He is never unfaithful and after he dies she becomes the mistress of the handsome senior partner. Julia, his wife and her long standing "friend" never finds out and no tents are shed. For many years she keeps her figure. Now she has a Kensington fizt, an income and a voluntary job. Size still has a very light touch with pastry. To the outside world Fay had had what every woman

And she saws to remember that.

After all, it was bad from for a married woman, for any woman of articled years, to complain of unhappiness. So Fay tries not to feel shame when her bushand does not touch her, when her lover does not call her; tries not to feel sad every time she travels abroad alone, every time she buys a solitary park chap. On the one occasion, that she loses control, says something foolish, and asks permanance to love and sequents that she to loved, her admirer flees.

fices.
Without children and without companions, Fay is left only with alliances forged long ago, alliances made for business reasons be-tween people who never really liked one snother. Fay finds Julia also capricious and demanding She bullies Maureen, her irritating live-in companion and patronises Pearl, her lonely ex-dresser. Fay does not stop her, or stop seeing her. Much of their unsettisfactory lives is spent together.

Anita Brookner writes with infallible precision, words are not wasted, opportunities not missed. This is a fine, poised and pointed examination of stoicism in a woman too marginal to be missed. Brief Lives is beautifully written.



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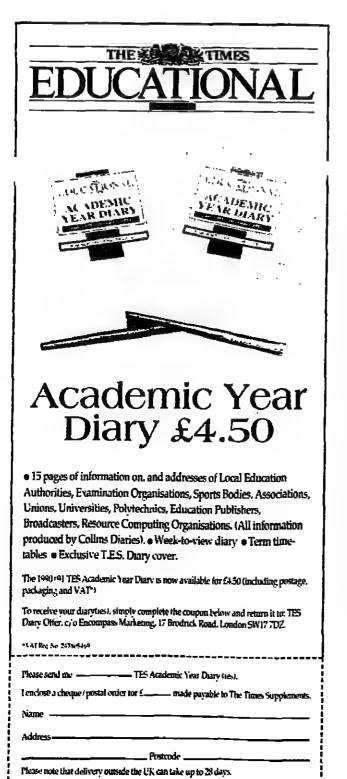
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Home is the hunter

IN Dennis McFarland's first novel, music is the food of love, hate, resentment, grief, alcoholism, heartbreak and suicide - in other words, of an absorbing story. It all starts in that most reassuring of settings: a Manhattan police station, complete with ringing telephones, hollering voices, rapid-fire typewriters and a fat cop directing a pale relative to Lieutenant Karajian's office.
The relative is Martin Lambert,

a record producer (minority composers and women), whose younger brother Perry has jumped out of a window on the 23rd floor of a hotel. Suicide - but why? Perry was young, happy, a pianist of promise.

Lieutenant Karajian's name may be visually reminiscent of von Karajan, but he is not to be a great conductor in this case. Perry's death is his swansong before retiring from the force for a "cushy job" teaching sociology. The Music Room, ultimately, is about how Martin (Marty) Lambert also becomes tired of the detective world of leads and motives, and pieces together the mystery of his brother's death by investigating his own heart.

Home is where the heart is proverbially to be found, but it takes a lot of hunting to find it in the Lambert household. Sidestepping tantalising discoveries about Perry's life in New York the girlfriend, dog and shrink that nobody knew he had, his conversion to Catholicism, his work with abused children - Marty searches the memories of their shared childhood for causes and answers. Plagued by nightmares and flashbacks, he sees Perry lingering always indoors, Perry discovering that their grandparents' plane crashed because they were drunk, Perry knowing that his mother had planned to abort him.

Rarely do the flashbacks, with their recurring themes and gradual crescendo, seem contrived. The novel is a mine of character and sorrow - and a promising

After Dennis McFarland's fugue-like novel. A Trail of Heart's Blood Wherever We Go is like listening to a radio playing Sally Edworthy

THE MUSIC ROOM By Dennis McFarland Macmillan, £13.95 A TRAIL OF HEART'S **BLOOD WHEREVER**

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By Haydn Middleton Hamish Hamilton, £13.99

John Denver with interference. It is a huge slab-of-life book set in remote New Hampshire and peopled by lumberjacks, maple syrup farmers, hairdressers and welders: its message is that big men cry.

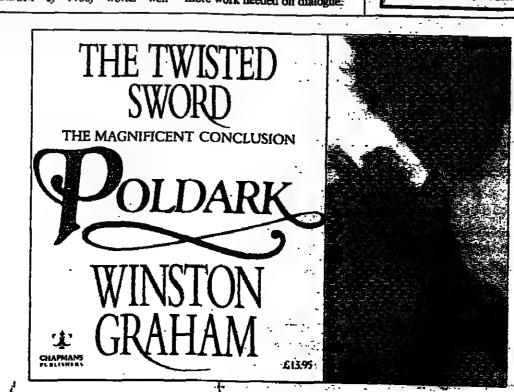
At the centre is Eddie Ryan, the undertaker, and Cody, a freelance logger who on Christmas Eve steers his enormous truck to Ryan's door with a severed body tied to the front. Cody moves in and together he and Eddie laugh over gossip and cry over history. Death being Eddie's trade, episodes seem inspired by the latest

corpse-en-scène. Robert Olmstead belongs to that school of realism whereby every detail is considered telling and we are not spared anything

that goes on behind closed doors. Would that a few doors stayed shut in The Collapsing Castle, by Haydn Middleton, which is an unsatisfactory mixture of obsessive love, Dark Age legend and Freudian dream phenomena.

Daniel Seagrief is a historian manque; his wife is a television celebrity. When Seagrief falls in love with a beautiful student who is possessed by King Vortigern the Thin - a key figure in the mythhistory of the founding of England - he starts to have strange hot flushes and visions of chanting witches, burning towers and phallic symbols.

As a so-called psychic thriller. the book does not work because the outcome is obvious from the start. As a "magic history", it



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Fatal but obsessive attraction

David Robinson reviews Clint Eastwood's White Hunter, Black Heart and The Big Man, and, below, Geoff Brown on Burt Reynolds in Bill Forsyth's Breaking In

lint Eastwood's lustre as megastar too easily eclipses his achievement as director. In 20 years he has directed 14 films: a track record which has established him as one of the strongest contemporary American directors. As director he combines assured, traditional, unpretentious high-craft technique with a varied choice of subjects. The

huge commercial success of films

like Dirty Harry permits him to take risks with un-voguish projects like Bronco Billy or Bird. Over the years a number of other directors and actors have attempted to make White Hunter, Black Heart (PG, Lumière, Cannon Fulham Road). Finally it has fallen to Eastwood as director and star. The script, by Peter Viertel, James Bridges and Burt Kennedy, is based on Viertel's 1953 romana-clef, inspired by his experiences working in Africa with John Huston, as a writer on The African

As the novel's John Wilson, Huston is portrayed as beautifully eloquent, demonically charming, ruthless, egocentric, generous, intensely complex. As Huston actually did in real life, the film director abandons the film, disregarding the disastrous costs to his employers, in order to pursue a senseless desire to hunt and kill an elephant. Charged that it is a crime, he gloats, "no, it is not a crime — it is a sin. The only legal

In Wilson/Huston, Eastwood discovers another of those obsessives who fascinate him and regularly feature in his films. He never actually knew Huston, but by studying films and recordings has caught his distinctive speech so well that it is an incarnation rather than an imper-

Huston is recognisable in his gangly elegance as well as his mastery of the mot juste, delivered in his gracious drawl. In one memorable scene he devastates an odious anti-Semite English wohumoured anecdote that becomes progressively more lethal as it approaches its stinging tail.

The character is a mass of contradictions: violent against racists, he is himself not above a racist slur when it comes to film producers (the formidable Sam Spiegel is personified by George Dzundza). At the end he is made to face the fatal destructiveness of his actions.

Viertel represented himself in the book as Pete Verrell, the alternately amused and exas-perated observer. Such a passive role is difficult on film, but is played with humour and sympathy by Jeff Fahey.

Handsomely photographed by Jack N. Green, the African scenes — with the elephants, the hard terrain, the river boat and the rapids - must have presented major logistical problems. Characteristically, Eastwood makes it all look simple and uncluttered. "When an artist feels more confident of his abilities and has more experience, it is easier to be simple," he said in a recent interview. "Being an actor relieves me from having to impose my presence as director, so that the audience can stay inside the story without being distracted by the 'interesting' angles of the man behind the camera."

David Leland does not have this advantage, and mise-en-scene overwhelms the story in The Big Man (18, Odeon West End), Leland was co-writer on Neil Jordan's Angel and Mona Lisa. The inclination in those films to impose a mythic dimension on contemporary realistic characters and situations is taken to an extreme in The Big Man.

Based on William McIlvanney's 1985 novel and scripted by Don McPherson, the story is given token political significance by setting it in a ghost town that was once a prosperous Scottish mining community. The big man (Liam Neeson) is a former miner who has been unemployed since being imprisoned for violence during the great coal strike. Humiliated to



Clint Eastwood, with Mel Martin and Martin Jacobs on location in Zimbabwe during the filming of White Hunter, Black Heart

be financially supported by his teacher wife (Joanne Whalley-Kilmer), he readily accepts a lucrative engagement for an illegal bare-knuckle fight. Too late he finds himself entangled in the Glasgow underworld.

tories of a fighter exploited by big-time crime are not new. Here it is blown up into a tale of great sound and fury, borne aloft by Ennio Morricone's wildly overwrought score, performances of portentous delivery, camera angles and ensemble groupings that might come out of old German expressionist films, and inevitable intermittent recourse to slow

The cracks would not be so apparent if the film were not unreasonably extended with scenes that are too long, verbose or superfluous. What ought to be a brisk thriller is slack enough to permit the mind to wander, to wonder what it is all about, and to

The talking point of the film is the long and bloody fight, which is the climax of the collaborative work of Morricone, the make-up artists and the man who puts the fist-cracks on the sound track. The combat actors, Neeson and Rab Affleck, choreograph it skilfully.

Among the actors, Ian Bannen relishes the Mephistophelean Glasgow Godfather role; Billy Connolly is creditable and uncharacteristic as a weak and devious clown; and the underplaying of Rab Affleck shows up the excesses of the rest.

After Au Revoir les Enfants. Louis Malie's Milon in May (15, Curzon Mayfair) is a disappointment. It is not bad, but merely unengaging

Scripted by Jean-Claude Carrière, who wrote the scripts of Bunuel's later films, it is a comedy about how the reverberations of the student revolution of May 1968 are felt in a remote estate in the south of France. The family collect for the funeral of the old matriarch; and the action revolves

about her corpse, which lies cold and disapproving and occa-sionally interfered with by the cat. The family squabble over the estate, and steal what they may. Local efforts at revolution include an inconvenient gravediggers' strike. Television reports that the general has stood down send them all scurrying in panic.

There is a sense that in writing his script Carrière had in mind the mordent absurdist comedy of his old collaborator Buñuel. Malle provides something softer, in the older traditions of French rural comedy. The result is mild, no doubt more evocative for French audiences than English.

Robert Epstein and Jeffrey riedman's Common Threads: Stories from the Quilt (ICA Cinemai won the 1990 Oscar for Best Documentary. It is a remarkable demonstration of the emotional power that film can generate.

The film takes it title from an extraordinary communal commemoration, the American Aids memorial quilt. A patchwork covering acres, each panel commemorates someone who has died from Aids.

The film takes five very different individuals and celebrates their lives through photographs. home movies, interviews and memories. Living with Aids, we realise, is a new human challenge, affecting people who are often very young, and deeply conscious of what is happening to them. Most affecting is David Mandeli, an 11-year-old haemophiliac who faced death with an inspiring awareness and gallantry.

To get the most out of House Party (Odeon Mezzanine, Cannon Panton Street), it is best to be around 15 years old, deep into rap, and possessed of well-fixed eardrums. The black independent film-maker Reginald Hedlin developed this first feature out of his 20-minute Harvard graduation film. A black kid's comedy, it has enormous vitality and seductively funny performances by two mu-sicians-turned-actors, Christopher

lish charm that would not be out

of place in a vicarage. But she

never exactly sends shivers up the

spine, and the parents of her

doltish young professionals lack-

ing all flavour. It is hard to care

tuppence for their predicament,

even if we knew exactly what their

predicament was: the script gives

no explanation for Seagrove's

antics, though a written prologue

TELEVISION

Home shot of Soviet history

IN THE absence of Lenin's laundry list or Stalin's complete book of Kremlin crosswords. Chan-nel 4's Rear Window came up with a rare scoop, in the form of Trotsky's home movies. These belonged to, and were taken by, Alex Buckman, a young American electrician. In 1939 he was sent to install a security system for Trots-ky's home in Mexico City after Stalin's hitmen sent several dozen bullets after him to Vienna.

Buckman arrived armed with nothing more dangerous than a Leica 16mm cinc-camera, and shot nothing more lethal than several hundred feet of Trotsky in colour, glimpsed for the last time before his sudden and fatal encounter with an ice-pick.

The old gentleman, in fact barely 60 but prematurely aged, was seen feeding his chickens and pottering about in exile surrounded by the vestiges of his former Soviet supremacy in the shape of a couple of hideous busts. His family had already been decimated - a daughter committed suicide, two sons were killed by Stalin - but Trotsky himself is still there, wandering along the Mexican beaches like some old Hemingway fisherman, pausing to read to the camera his hopeful but impotent denunciations of yet another Stalin show trial.

in horn-rimmed spectacles and goatee beard, this, the once most powerful man in the Soviet Union, was to be found chatting to visiting American communists. popping out to buy a newspaper. or having a picnic in a nearby

Trotsky and his immediate family were seen here behaving for Buckman's camera with that curious mixture of flamboyance and embarrassment which characterises people caught in vintage home movies. The footage was stretched out by Tariq Ali, chatting to the cameraman and various survivors but the movies themselves were really all that was needed. They had the fascination of long-lost diaries and letters, and were not much improved by the title sequence of ticking clocks and icepicks as warnings of what was to happen to the old visionary

The films had a period intensity all their own: as Stuart Hood said in the ensuing discussion, they are the only glimpses caught of Trotsky away from the podium or the barricades. Although the studio conversation veered off into Ali's view of capitalism as the last resort of disenchanted communists, the real interest here was looking back to the Greek tragedy unfolding in 1939 Mexico. In the end, even Soviet history came to an old chickens while awaiting sudden death.

Those who staved with BBC 2 into the early hours of vesterday morning were treated to the unattractive sight of arts television shooting itself in the foot yet again. Edinburgh Nights, toward the end of what would seem to have been a below-par festival. promised a report of the weekend television conference at which there were several debates of interest, not least one concerning the dangers of fragmentation in a

desperate search for ratings. As if to establish that danger, the programme came up with a report so hopelessly fragmented. randomly interrupted, and trivial that no speaker was allowed more than about seven seconds. Few were seen or heard in correct sequence, and no argument was followed through for more time than it took an inanely cheerful Scots anchorman in dark glasses to leap back into vision with yet another purposeless link filmed for no apparent reason from a nearby pulpit. The programme itself exemplified all too clearly what happens when producers loose faith in the ability of an audience to stay with a theme or an argument for longer than it

takes to flip a channel.

SHERIDAN MORLEY



Mangled tale, lacking panache: The Guardian, with Jenny Seagrove

Safe jokes spring few surprises

determine what Burt Reynolds' dwindling line of fans want from his movies, though the through a gentle comedy with grey receding hair, thick glasses and an arthritic walk cannot loom large among their expectations. This is how Reynolds appears in Breaking In (15, Cannon Haymarket. Oxford Street), the latest venture from the director of Gregory's Girl, Bill Forsyth. His crisp performance as Emic - an ageing safebreaker in Portland, Oregon, who decides to pass on the tricks of his trade - is a delight, yet has clearly left fans and distributors bemused. The film spent over a year twiddling its thumbs waiting for a British release.

BULLETS OR BALLOTS (Warner,

delicious as a racketeer's thuggish

RIO LOBO (CBS/Fox, PG): Rambling

years The last film of director Howard Hawks echoes of his classic Rio Bravo

but the relaxed, breezy almosphere is a

do not work to the script's advantage

ROUSTABOUT (Braveworld, U), A

surly Elvis Presley joins Barbara Stanwyck's carnival to fearn about life

and love. Stronger plot material than

most of his Sixties vehicles, though the below-average musical numbers drag

THE THREE WORLDS OF GULLIVER

(RCA/Columbia, U): Swift's satire is shrunk to Lilliputian proportions in this live-action 1959 version, and Kerwin

Matthews is blandness personified. Fix

attention instead on Ray Harryhausen's special effects and Bernard Herrmann's

WELCOME HOME (Warner, 15):

Hackneyed tale of a Vietnam veteran,

presumed dead, returning to upset the apple cart Decent performances (kirs Knstofferson, JoBeth Williams) and

sober direction by Franklin Schaffner

(his last film) provide modest pleasures

WOMBLING FREE (MIA, U). The short

fat and furry stars of BBC's puppet

series perform engaging tricks (like parodying The Sound of Music), and Frances de la Tour is a delight Pity

about the weak, fragmentary plot.

the film down 1964.

inventive period score

John Wayne Western, deliberately playing upon the star's advancing

sudekick 1936

There is more to this than the secrets. Yet there comes a point risky business of a star abandonall its buoyancy and wry, comic in texture. The plot springs few surprises, while Forsyth seems unwilling or unable to shake off that dawdling, sidelong approach to a joke that dragged down so much of Comfort and Joy and threatened the equilibrium of his interesting American début. Housekeeping.

There is no shortage of mordant lines (the script is by John Sayles); Forsyth's eye for the off-beat image remains as clear as ever, and Reynolds' partner. Casey Siemaszko, makes an engaging clown of a tyre-shop employee who comes to share Ernie's

when a feature-length film, howing a cosy stereotype. The film, for ever subtle and civilised, cannot continue puttering along happily tension or momentum must be generated to keep the audience in play. Breaking In passes that point some way before the end. Horror films named after lead-

ing British newspapers are rare enough birds, so for novelty's sake one ought to try and welcome The Guardian (18, Plaza 2). Alas, it proves impossible: only a lover of the unintentionally absurd would get much pleasure from this mangled tale of a British nanny who insists on sacrificing gurgling American babies to a tree.

Jenny Seagrove portrays the wicked lady with a pleasant Enghints at druid worship. The director is William Friedkin, a meretricious talent

who has spent long years failing to top his two big hits of the early Seventies, The French Connection and The Exorcist. This latest effort at least returns him to the supernatural genre, but there is no trace of his old brazen panache.

BRIEFING have waived the normal entrance

fees. Buildings on display include

Charles Rennie Mackintosh's

Bayreuth its most debated Ring in modern times - has withdrawn from directing Tristan und Isolde at Bayreuth in 1993, apparently because of a bereavement. His surprising replacement is Heiner Müller, an East German playwright who has never directed opera before. The designer will be Erich Wonder, responsible for the much-discussed Ring cycle in

Open house

Glasgow School of Art. James Miller's Bank of Scotland. Robert Adam's Trades Hall, Alexander Thomson's St Vincent Street Church, Scottish Legal Life's art deco director's suite, Giles Gilbert Scott's St Mary's Cathedral (currently being restored), and the 1870s Venetian-style private Western Baths club.

Best of friends

TO THE untrained eye. Steven Spielberg and Martin Scorsese might seem to have little in common beyond their beards. But despite the chasm between ET and Mean Streets, the two are good friends, and now collaborators. The directors have formed a joint venture to be based in Robert De Niro's Tribeca Film Centre, in downtown Manhattan.

The new company is called Red Shoes after the 1948 Powell and Pressburger classic, a film and a creative team which both directors admire. While no formal announcement has been made, and neither the name nor the company has yet been incorporated, the plan is that Red Shoes will be devoted to developing smaller budget films on which new writers and directors can cut their teeth.

dated City Hall in Truro into a performance centre. If they are successful in raising the sum from the public and private sectors, refurbishment of the interior. while maintaining the frontage will take three years to complete.

Plans for the so-called Hall for Cornwall would see it become a versatile venue that could accommodate the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, large-scale touring opera, dance and drama, as well as sporting events and trade shows. First, however, the City Hall's leaking roof, peeling paint and dreadful acoustics will have to

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CRIFIC'S CHOICE: VIDEO A weekly selection of films recently released on video. The year refers to PG): Vintage Warner Brothers crime drama with Edward G. Robinson as the of television films, of first broadcast. cop going underground to get his man Fast and furious: Humphrey Bogart is

AMAZON WOMEN ON THE MOON (CIC, 15): Sketch film on Kentucky Friad Movie lines from John Landis, Joe Dante, and other comic worthies. Wildly uneven, though enough parodies on American media and popular culture hit the larget, 1987.

ANNE OF THE THOUSAND DAYS (CIC, PG): Only a thousand? It feels like more, thanks to the weight of words and costumes Richard Burton huffs and puffs as Henry VIII; for sparkle, turn to the stalwart supports, or Ge Bujold, plucked by producer Hai Wallis from French-Canadian obscurity. 1969. DRUGSTORE COWBOY (18)

Provocative, quirky morality play about an unrepentant junkle (Matt Dillon) who finally faces up to his life-style. Directed by Gus Van Sant with a strong feel for the underside of American society. DRIVING MISS DAISY (Warner, U):

Bruce Beresford's endearing, well-crafted film of Alfred Uhry's play about the growing relationship between a prickly Southern lady (Jessica Tandy) and her black chauffeur (Morgan seman), 1990.

LADDER OF SWORDS (15). Attractively mounted but grating British whimsy about a down-at-heel circus artist (Martin Shaw) and his bourgeois ady love (Juliet Stevenson) Directed by Norman Hull. 1989.

MUSIC LOVERS (Warner, 18): Ken Russell's first cinema biography. overflowing with flamboyant image: ions and shaky historical data. Richard Chamberlain's compose never seems much more than Dr Kildare with a few kinks, but Glenda Jackson is on fire as his luckless wife.

New Ring leader

BAYREUTH has announced details of its new Ring cycle, to be staged in 1994. The director will be Alfred Kirchner, one of West Germany's leading theatre direc-tors and head of the Schiller Theatre in Berlin. The new Ring will be conducted by the American, James Levine, who has done it at the Metropolitan Opera in New York and on record, but never at the home of Wagner opera itself. The current Ring. produced by Harry Kupfer, is in

its third year of performance. Patrice Chercau - who gave

GLASGOW is opening the doors of its architectural treasures for Europe this Saturday, as the first British city to join 15 others in Europe as part of European Heritage Day. Some of the 40 buildings usually have their doors GEOFF BROWN I closed to the public, while others

Hall for Cornwall? CAMPAIGNERS in Comwall are launching an appeal for £6.6 million to transform the dilapi-

Starts previewing tonight!

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NEW RELEASES

♦ WILD AT HEART (18): David Lynch's

4043) Screen on the Hill (071-435 3366) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/3324)

CARMIVAL OF SOULS: Emeration to budget feature from 1962 about the haun survivor of a car accident, atmospheric direction by the unknown Herk Harvey V

L'ATALANTE (PG): Jean Vigo's entinating Franch classe: trom 1934 — a lyncal. quasi-surreal tale of newlyweds on a berge, marvellously restored with extra

e BACK TO THE FUTURE PART III
(PG): A sturdy crowd-pleaser to round off the senes, with some amusing jokes at the

Weslern's expense. Carnoris: Fullham Road (071-370 2505) Outlord Street (071-505 (3310) Plaza (071-607 3592) Whiteleys (071-792 3303/5024).

THE BOOST (16): Cautionary tale about a historial hustion and case to cocare. Farry performances train James Woods and Sean Young, but the story is trapped in a nut Director, Heroti Backer.

Cannon Oxford Street (071-838 0310).

CINEMA PARADISO (PG): Giuseppe Tomatore's nostalgo tale of a small Sicilian cnema, an hugely appealing calute to the

CRIMES AND MISUEMEANORS (15):

Woody Allen's engrossing portrait of life's fromes and unmorables. Strong performance by Martin Landau as an eye

CRY-BABY (12): John Waters' franchis

Depp. Arry Locane. Cannon Tottanham Court Road (071-839)

DARK ANGEL (18): Howele action holum with Swedish hulk Dolph Lundgran 88 8

DAYS OF THUNDER (12): Stock-car racing drama from the brams behand Top Gurs, heavy on racetrack action and Tom

Ayckbourn's achingly furnry sensus-comedy, directed by the author Winterfall Thistoria, Whitefall SW1 (071-867 1119) Underground Charing Cross Mon-Sat, Spin, mats Thurs, Spin and Sat. 4.30pm. Renning time. 2hrs 25mins.

National Theatre (Cottesioe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2232), Underground/BR:

absorbing production of Gorky where keen young Russians befure no better than

raterioo Tonight, 7 30pm, mat leday, 2 30pm. Running time. 2hrs 55mins.

E BARBARIANS: David Junes's

vice cop betting an intergalactic drugs

Cannon Haymarket (071-839 1527).

ABSURD PERSON SINGULAR:

AFTER THE FALL: AITHUR MORE sorting out love, guill and marriage performance by Josette Smon, National Theorem (Controlled)

musical-comedy salute to the juveni delinquent scene of the Fitties, the

rket (071.839 7897).

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Curzon Maylair (071-465 5965).

rom Allen and Alan Ald:

BLACK RAINBOW (18): Mike Hodges

chryoyant (Rosams Arquette) who foretels a murder Strong on edgy alm and robustly acted, though the sum is

much less than the parts Curzon Phoenix (071-240 9681).

David Lynch's early fentasy, Th

DARK HABITS (15): Shallow, footdragging froic from the early Eighties by the newly lashionable Pedro Almodovar, set in a convent where enything goes, including

CA Cinema (071-930 3647).

drugs and a pet leopard Metro (071-437 0757).

CURRENT

• WHLD AT HEART (18): David Lynch's rolliching laile of psycholoc evil and sexual passion rampaging through America's heartland, the same incredients as Blue Velvet. Though the results are far more inconsequential Nicolas Cage Laura Demiconsequential Nicolas Court Total Part (18) Christian Court (18) Christian Court (18) Christian Cage (18) Christian Christian Cage (18) Christian Christian Cage (18) Christian Christian Cage (18) Christian Christian Cage (18) Christian Chris

Death of a comic obsession

DANCE

The Overcoat Playhouse, Edinburgh

GOGOL wrote The Overcoat after hearing an anecdote which made his fellow guests laugh but which he saw as sad. Flemming Flindt's adaptation of it into a ballet for Rudolf Nureyev succeeds by catching both aspects of the character.

At first, Akaky is seen entirely as a figure of fun. When others on their way to work through the Petersburg dawn move with the simple grace of folk dances, he does a comic number with syncopated steps and shrugs. Three other clerks in his government office do everything with a swagger. Akaky is the one who works away nervously.

By the end, however, this comic fellow has been transformed by the loss of his one obsession - the magnificent new coat he could not reallyafford - intoatragicfigureof demonic wrath. At the Edinburgh premiere on Tuesday the audience was stirred most by the scene where the ghost of the coat becomes a straitjacket and Nureyev dances his defiance of an uncaring society before collapsing into death.

If all you want from a dancer is steps. Nurevey shows that he can still produce entrechats, double assembles and so on; not so well as in the past, but he is still more punctilious than most about the finish of his tours en l'air. What matters more is that he demonstrates his lifetime's achievement in proving that men can dance with expression and with the gentle and precise nuances that

THEATRE

Comedy

used to be confined to ballerinas. The heart of the piece is the scene (not in Gogol) where, dreaming of the coat before he has it he imagines inviting it to dinner: here fun and fantasy, humour and pathos, combine. Within the gawky figure of Akaky the elegant man he wants to be is seen: and within Nureyev's 52year-old body you glimpse the image, still alive, of the sensitive, idealistic 23-year-old who arrived to transfigure Western ballet. It is

touching moment.

Beni Montresor's designs offer imagination and splendour, even if the Playhouse equipment cannot do them justice, something which caused a 30-minute delay on opening night. The score. arranged mainly from Shostakovich's film music and ballet suites. sounds good with the Scottish Philharmonic Orchestra and four singers in the pit under Dwight Oltman's direction.

The Cleveland San José Ballet, visiting Europe for the first time, ably provide the setting for Nureyev's performance, even if some of the dancers, at this first attempt, do not yet inhabit their roles with absolute assurance.

They have their own showpiece to start the programme: Quicksilver, to Mendelssohn's First Piano Concerto. Dennis Nahat's choreography gives fast steps for the men in the first movement, mainly drifting ones for women in the adagio, and more rushing around for everyone in the finale. The dances, often wilfully eccentric, feature a quaint use of hands which give the cast a strangely pixillated look. They do all that is required of them, especially Raymond Rodriguez, who offers prodigious pirouettes.

JOHN PERCIVAL



Gawky and elegant: Rudolf Nureyev as Akaky Akakievich

Having a Ball

ALAN Bleasdale's shapeless and flabby offering was shown in London ten years ago and has since been revised, we are told. This astonishing fact raises awesome questions. Can his piece, billed as "an outrageous comedy". once have been worse? Were the iokes in the earlier version dug up in toto from some dictionary of double entendres? Was the stumbling storyline then even emptier of logic, inner cohesion and the elementary skills of playmaking? If the answer to these questions is a dazed nod, the solitary crumb of comfort to be derived from the

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The Day You'll

Love Me

Hampstead

TO LAUGH at others, or pity

them, is easier than to understand

them. With our own flimsy

dreams, we are probably as foolish

as the three Ancizar sisters of

Venezuela: Matilde, intoxicated

by the singing of Carlos Gardel;

Maria Luisa, intoxicated by talk of the Union of Soviet Socialist

Republics — where there are beet

farms and cultural events in the

evenings - and Elvira. "the de-serted one", who dreams only of a

the greatest in their lives, so

rapturous that to remember every

detail is more important than to

experience it: Gardel, the singer

and dancer who popularised the

tango, is performing at the theatre

in Caracas. He has come in

person, and is quite as tall as his

celluloid self. To the sisters who

know everything they can about him, and delight in telling him the

name of the street where he was born, he is still a mystery. And as

played with flirtatious superficial-

This summer night in 1935 is

better past.

experience is relief at having had to see this banal production and not its ghastly predecessor.

The "outrageous comedy" is set in a vasectomy clinic and Bleasdale's desperate search for okes, any jokes, becomes evident from the opening scene. A surgeon and a nurse are busy with knife and swab over a comatose patient, chatting the while about the food served at some recent bash. Quiches and salads are itemised solely so that the surgeon, stretching out her hand and saving "dressing", can be answered with "Thousand Island". This may be one of the few gags that is not about having or losing testicles but the creaking machinery is the same no matter what jokes are spat out when the wheels have gone lumbering round.

Three men assemble in the

night, pondering the enigma.

agonising over the poor and his

\$100.000 a year; lies awake and

wonders, and then falls asleen. He

talks with queens and small-talks

of Mahatma Gandhi, but remem-

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self before him. Matilde (Victoria

even to himself. He lies awake at with all the sincerity he can

bers how to charm and flatter his is paralysed by Chekhovian tor-

Scarborough) is not shamed or nor has he managed to effect an

disillusioned, for he condescends introduction to Stalin: the bus

United: Gillian Barge, Greg Hicks and Victoria Scarborough

remember.

waiting room, variously apprehensive of the approaching cut. The playwright does not bother to explain why the first two think themselves in need of it; and while the third man, played by William Gaunt with understandably lofty distaste, eventually offers an explanation — self-hatred — this is tacked onto his character with woefully poor conviction. His wife (Helen Laderer), drunk or not as the need for a funny expression comes and goes, reveals that he is businessman incompetently burying poisonous waste. Apparently this is not another double entendre but a criticism of Thatcher's England. Similar swipes at current policies break the monopoly of naked bums and jokes on "plums" but fail both as characternotes and as the intended serious underpinning of the plot.

Only Pio does not hear Gradel

sing. Earnest, unsuccessful Pio

(Matthew Marsh), with his red flag

in his suitcase, never confronts

this sedative of the masses, for he

por. After ten years wooing Maria

Luisa. Pio has not touched her:

DONALD COOPER

Plot? What plot? These men want to be cut and then change their minds. To boost a second act an old bore monopolises ten minutes with an account of his sexual prowess. Keith Clifford, the offending actor, evidently believes that one silly tic - a jerking chin - is enough to create a character. Perhaps he should not be blamed but instead his author and director (Pip Broughton). If the poverty of the writing is evident from the opening, the endings of both acts betray the barren imagination: light fades with the actors still in the middle of what passes for a conversation. Bleasdale and Broughton can think of nothing else to do. The theatre is not air

conditioned.

from Caracas to the Ukraine will

never come, but perhaps he and

Maria Luisa can go in Gardel's

Pio's impotence has something

to do with the suicide of his

climbing a makeshift scaffold of

books. He, too, has scaled their

heights, and he rages and preaches, only to find himself

wanting no more than to be

forgiven for a self-righteousnes he

does not believe in. When his

dialectical diatribe is spouted back

at him. Pio is caught between

enthusiasm for its certainties and

honest doubt about whether he

Jose Ignacio Cabrujas's play, directed by Lisa Forrell, shows a family home nearly broken apart

by a delusive vision of the world,

but united by a dream-maker on a

visit. The singer's spell is stronger

even than the melancholy tough-

ness of a 58-year-old Elvira, with

her carefully dated memories of the husband who made perfume

for prostitutes and left her (a fine

performance by Gillian Barge).

Yet it is perhaps just too easy to

see through the dreams of others;

harder now to recapture the ideals of the Thirties, which found in

communism a doctrine of hope.

cares for such abstractions.

limousine.

JEREMY KINGSTON

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Earlier I Filter John Mancholar is general calching full mannaised as the variet foliopin Laminid Wisson's Reservan comody Lyric, Shatlesbury Awarue, W1 (071-437 3885) Underground Proceedily Circus Mon-Sat, 7 30pm, mai Sait, 2-30pm Runaiseg Imm. 2ma 55mins. Choice September 22.

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The Pit, Barbacan Centre (se above). Tonight. 7. 30pm, mel hodey, 2pm. Running time. 2tto 30mms. In repertory. C) CIRQUE DU SOLEIL: Highly

publicised Canadian troupe turns out to be less sensational than expected. Jubilee Gardens, South Bank Centre, SE1 (071-928 8000). Underground/BR: Walarloo, Tues-Sat. 6om, Sun, 5pm, mass Sat. 3pm and Sun. 2.30pm. Punning time. 2hrs 30mms. Extended to September 16. E GASPING: Hugh Laurie and Bernard

hat in Sen Etion's comedy about the privatisation of air and other un-green notions. Rather over the top but lots of laughs. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071 930 9832) Underground: Procadilly, Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri and Sat, 8:30pm, mars Fri and Sat, 5pm Favning time. 2hrs 30mins. ☐ HENRY IV: Sound production of Piravitatio's masterwork: Righerd Herris effective as the men who must pretend to

Wyndham's, Channg Cross Road, WC2. (971-867 1116) Underground Lacester Square Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. Funning time. 2hts 20mms.

HIDDEN LAUGHTER: Felicity Kendel Im Highden Laughtter: Feacity Kendel and Peter Barkworth in Simon Gray's excellent new play, set as a West Country cottage used for 13 years of rural refreets Vaudewite, Strand, WC2 (071836 9987) Underground: Chamig Cross Mon-Fn, 7.45pm, Set 8 30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Set, 5pm, Running time, 2hrs-15mms. DUEFFREY BERMARD IS UNWELL: James Bolam as the drunk-about-low!

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol •) on release across the country.

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◆ LORD OF THE FLIES (15): Flat new Harry Hook directs Cannon Triggenham Court Road (071-026)

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reservation HIRE (16): Patrice Leconie's extense, stylish version of Simenon novel about a bachalo's dark obsession with his neighbour, a styling achievement by director Patrica Leconie Palrica Linconto Premiera (071-439 4470).

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III RACING DEMON: Dwid Haw's Iwerd-wrining state-of-the-church dramit. National Theatre (Oliver) (as left). Tonight, 7.15pm, mat today, 2pm Running time 2tm 50mms in repertory.

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Jetsons 10.30 Playdays 10.55 Five to Eleven 11.00 News and weether followed by

Peaceable Kingdom: Moonstruck, Last of the zoo-based drama series 12.00 News and weather followed by The Gardan Party. More from Glasgow's Botanic Gardens. Former page three girl Linda Lusardi talks to Mavis Nicholson, and Sally Jones investigates sports for the disabled 12.55 Regional News and weather 1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip

Hayton. Weather

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceelax)

1.50 He Who Dares: In the Midst of an Empty Sea. True stories of people who survivad against the odds. The ambition of airtine pilot Henri Bourden was to sail around the world. was to sail around the world. In 1966, his dream atmost became a reality, until he and his wife were shipwrecked on a desert island. They were able to retrieve many useful items from their yacht, except for the one essential, for

How did they survive? (1)

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6.45 Open University. Meanings of Madness: the institution of insenity.

9.00 Mastermind 1980. Vintage torture in the black chair presented by Magnus

Magnusson (t)
9.30 The Smallest Theatre. A long-standing Guinness Back of Records

seature of converted cowshed in the scottish Highlands played host to the thespian efforts of husband and wife Barrie and Marianne Hasketh, including

their two-player production of The

Championships, Highlights of yesterday's action from Split, Yugoslavia (r) 10.40 Film: Mystery Submerine (1962, b/w). Routine wartime apy adventure,

based on the play by Jon Manchip White. Edward Judd plays the stif-lipped captain of the Batish crew

assigned to infiltrate the U-boat fleet in a captured Nazi submarine. James

Robertson Justice overplays the role of the rear-admiral. Directed by C.M. Pennington-Richards. Wales:

Theatre in Islington, London, This film follows hire as he writes a play and

creates one of the puppets that will

Bowle -- Wales v England (to 12:30) 12:10 In the Making: Puppetser, John Wright-runs the Little Angel Marionette

12.30 Colonel Culpapper's Flying Circus, The Confederate Air Force in Texas is

1,20 Mr Benri. Animated story read by

sion language and subtition (r)

1.35 Sign Extra. A chance to see an

home to nearly 100 bombers from

the second world war. Ian Wooldridge

reports on the ghost squadron which waits for the acromable that will rever

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2.20 Film: The Fighting Sulfivans (1944, b/w). Lloyd Bacon's poignant dramatisation is based on the true story of five brothers from lowa. inseparable, they enlisted in the American navy during the second world war and went on to die for their country. Starring Anne Baxter and Thomas Mitchell

4.10 The All New Popeye Show (1) 4.35
Bad Boyes(1) 4.55 Newsround 5.10
Steel Riders. The sixth of an eightpart New Zealand thriller (r). (Ceefsx)

5.35 Neighbours. (Ceefax). Northern Ireland: Sportswide, 5.40 Inside Ulster 6.00 Stx O'Clock News with John Humphrys and Moire Stuart, Weather 6.30 Regional News Magazines, Wales: Wales Today; Northern Ireland:

Valghbours 7.00 Top of the Pops 8.00 Life on One. in the light of Lord

Justice Taylor's report, what have tootball clubs done to improve spectator safety? As the season kicks off, Serah Greene and Simon Mayo report from a first division match 8.30 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em (r). Northern Ireland: Dad's Army 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn

9.30 The Play on One: Yellowbecks.

• CHOICE: Malcolm McKay's sombre and unsettling drama imagines Britain in a not too distant future when alarm at the spreed of a sexually transmitted disease (undentified) leads to the the state arming itself with amargancy powers. These crable the

2.00 News and weather followed by Great Britons: Mariborough. The lives of some of Britain's great historical

figures are told by their biographers. Wildery historian Contail Bernst!

examines the rousing career of John Churchill, the first Duke of

Churchill. He portrays a more

passionate man than the cold military and political machine beloved by many historians (r). Wales: News and weather, Bowls (to 3.50)

3.90 News and weather followed by Aristocrats: Spain, The Duchess of Medinaceli. Robert Lacey enters the expressive world of the Sensiels.

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100 European Athletics
Championships. Desmond Lynam introduces five coverage from Split,
Yugostavia. Includes heats from the 1500m (5.10); the men's 200m final (6.15); the 400m final (7.10); and the

200m (6.00); the woman's 100m

8.20 On the Line. in the final programm

9.00 The Travel Show. The lest

British comedienne

end pole vault

men's 3,000m steeplechase final (6.50). Other finals include the woman's

hurdles (6.35); and the men's long jump

in the issues in sport senes. Sue Mott

and Rey Stubbs tackle rules in rugby

programme in the senes that tries to

give a rounded story, warts and all,

visits John Constable's inspiration, Dedham Vale. Plus last-minute

Thirhwell and Dr John Thomes.
Wales: Gardening Together
9.30 The Tracey Ulimen Show. American

9.50 Strangeways: They Call Us Beasts.
Repeated in the light of April's nots, the

award-winning series from the early

bergans, holiday horrors and weather facts. Presented by Penny Junor with Matthew Collins, Andy Crane, John

corredy sense built around the talented

duchess, who owns more than 90 castles (r) 3.50 News and weather.

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Doctor on the rack: Jenet McTeer (9.30pm)

seizure of confidential medical records and the questioning of doctors about their patients. Yellowbacks intercuts two such interrogations, which take place in a dereict hotel where the half-light and draib colours contribute to the feeing of menace Dr. Juliet (Janet McTeer) is brought in hooded and handcuffed and put through the gamet of forture and humiliation by melda Staunton and Tim Roth. In the ballroom, Dr Alex (Bill Paterson) undergoes more courteous questioning by Roy Marsden. Yellowbacks has more then a whill of George Orwell's 1964, receiling the visual impact of both the film and television versions and returning to the theme of collective hysteria and

10.50 European Athletics Championships. Highlights of the day's action from Split in Yugoslavia. 11.30 The Flockford Files (r). Wales: Bowls - Wales v England 12.20am Weather

Eighties this week takes us into C1 in

the maximum security prison. That is

if they wish. For their own protection

nature of their crimes can attract the

10.30 Newsrlight with Jeremy Paumen
11.15 Edinburgh Nights. Tracey MacLeod
and Kirsty Wark present further
highlights from the Edinburgh
Festival. Yo Yo Ma and Emanuel Ax are

shown rehearsing for tonight's immallion performance of Southoven's

cello and pieno concertos and American comedian Emo Phillips gives

his individual guide to the Festival

The feetival guide: Emo Phillips (11.15pm)

12.00 Weekend Outlook. A preview of this

weekend a Open University

programmes. 12.05am Open University Canng for Health in Brazil Engs at 12.30

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6.00 TV-am 9.25 She-Ra: Princess of Power 9.50 Thames News and weather 9.55 Inspector Gadget (r) 10.25 Vicky the Viking 10.50 News headings

10.55 Treasure Island in Outer Space 11.50 Thames News and weather 11.55 Porky Pig (r) 12.05 The Riddlers: Bothersome Birds (r) 12:25 Home and Away 12:55 Tharnes

News and weather 1.00 News at One with John Suchet

1.20 Deytime Green: The Earth Mers' Guide. The tast programme of the environmental series examines. the poor condition of Britain's beaches and Kim Wide meets some of the people who are determined to stamp out the cruel practice of badger bailing 1.50 A Country Practice 2.20 Deer Miriam. Dr Miriam Stoppard offers viewers advice on emotional and

physical problems
2.50 What's My Line? Joining Jay
Cooper and Roy Hudd are Michael
Cashman and Sara Hollamby who

attempt to discover contestants. occupations Hosted by Angela Rippon 3.15 News headlines 3.20

Thames News and weather 3.25 The Young Doctors 3.55 The Raggy Dolls 4.10 Disney's Duck Tales (r) 4.35 Speedy and Daffy (r) 4.40 World Womble Day 5.10 Blockbusters. Bob Holness hosts

the last-moving general knowledge quiz

for teertapers 5.40 News with Fiona Amistrong.

Woother 5.55 Thames Help with Jacks Spreckley 6.00 Home and Away (r) 6.30 Tharnes News and weather

7.00 Emmerdale. (Oracle) 7.30 Nature Watch: At Last a Success Story. The Mauntius Faicon was doomed to extinction when the bird of prey's last eggs were stolen. Ten years later, Julian Pettiter returns to Maunitus to watch the release of the 100th bird bred from those eggs 8.00 The Bilt: Up the Steps. The tables

are turned as officers at Sun Hill prepare to give evidence in an assault case

Community is it, Anyway?

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and find themselves on trial(Oracle) 8.30 Jimmy's. Real-life drama from St James's Hospital in Leeds

8.00 Opinions: Janet Daley: Whose

9.00 L.A. Law. (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Julia Somerville Weather 10.30 nes News and weather 10.35 XVtn European Athletics

Championships. Jim Rosenthal introduces the fourth day's action from Split, Yugoslavia. With commentary and analysis from Steve Ovett, Alan

Parry and Peter Matthews 11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.30am it's My Belief. Nick Stuart hosts another late-night discussion in which Landoners talk about their faiths This week, the Hindu community in

1.00 Film: The Revengers (1972) Daniel Mann directed this cliched Western, reviving The Wild Bunch partnership am Holden and Ernest Borgrune. A rancher sets out to avenge the murders of his write and children at the

hands of renegate Indians 3.00 The Invisible Man (b/w) 3.30 Funny Farm. The best of Scottish

cornedy
4.00 The New Sessions: The Farm
4.30 America's Top 10 (r)
5.00 ITN Morning News with Christabel
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6.00 Noeh's Ark. The endangered

monkey puzzie tree
5.20 Business Daily
6.30 The Channel Four Daily
9.25 The Art of Landscape, Images of the natural world shown with musical

11.00 As It Happens. Andy Kershaw 12.00 Scotland's War: Left in France. A profile of one of Scotland's proudest tighting regiments, the 51st Highland Division, which fought a rearguard action at Dunkirk during the 1940 evacuation

12.30 Business Daily. Business and financial news service. Presented by Sustannian Simons 1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning

senes (r) 2.00 Film: Words and Music (1948) Hollywood musical biopic charting the tragic story at the top song-writing partnership of the Twenties, composer Pichard Rogers (Tom Drake) and lyncist Lorenz Hart (Mickey Rooney). With lots of splendid numbers and appearances by Gene Kelly, Vera-Ellen, Judy Garland, Mel Torme and Cyd

Charisse, Directed by Norman Taurog 4.15 A Day in Stockholm, Swedish remake of the classic short film focusing on one man and the people ha encounters during a day in Stockholm (r) 4.30 Countdown. The words and numbers game. With Richard Whiteley

and Bran Johnston 5.00 Film: The Sign of Four (1932, b/w). The first of two vintage Sherlock Holmes thatlers celebrating the writy portrayal by Arthur Wontner of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's amateur sleuth. Holmes and Walson (lan Hunter) find themselves on the trail of a hidden fortune, a secret pact, revenge from the East and a murderous pygmy when they are approached by isla Bevan's damsel-in-distress. Directed by Rowland V Lee and Graham Cutts 6.25 Nervous Life of the Cosmos. Black

humour from the Poken animator Prote 6.30 Kate and Alie Evening in Paris Susan Saint James and Jane Curtin state as the American divorcess 7 00 Channel Four News with Jon Snow 7.50 Comment followed by weather

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Mandoscope: Includes an interview with Geoffrey Moorhouse, author of Apples in the Snow and Jimmy Boyle reviews the film The Big Man

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11.00 The Psychedelic Spy

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political broadcasts, it is hard to think of many programmes on television over the past ten years which have open endorsed the Thatchente enterprise culture. Howard's Way is supposed to do so in soap terms, but I suspect that most viewers respond to the than identifying with them, in tonight's voice to camera, however, the writer Janet Daley goes root and branch for the Thatcher ideology: "No sooner do ordinary people get a bit of spending power and the self-respect to dispose of it where they choose, than the chattering classes start shreking about materialism". Working people, Daley argues, have discovered not settishness out self-distarramention. Individual ability or industriousness is the only test which is no respecter of persons, inherited privilege or conterred status. It is forceful stuff and, agree with it or not, well up to the standard of an excellent series 8.30 My Two Dads. The last in the so-so American comedy sense



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9.00 Film: Do Not Fold, Spindle or Mutilate (1971). CHOICE. The producers of this

enjoyable television movie had the bright idea of casting in the leading roles four veteran autresses from the golden age of Hollywood and getting them to strike sparks off each other. The record worked a trinst. Here are Helen Hayas an Oscar winner in 1931 and 38 years later for Airport Myma Loy of The Thin Man Sylvia Sidney a Suffering heroine for Hitchcours was Fritz Lang, and the formidable Mildred

repertory company. They play four old friends who specialise in practical jokes. Their latest wheeze is to create a fictitious girl to answer a computer dating questionnaire. The form is sent away and there is no lack of prospective suitors. The trouble is that one of them is a murderous one of than is a fitterbeauth psychopeth (Vince Edwards), who is unlikely to appreciate the joke. All is sel for a comedy-thriller which sets a lively pace with the fun and the

menace adrortly balanced 10.25 Four Minutes: Head Gurl, Two old school friends meet in a wine bar. Which one used to be the head gut? With Trudie Styler and Shelagh McLeod (r) 10.30 Drop the Dead Donkey: A Blest from the Past. One of the better new comedies of recent months, set in

the newsroom of a commercial television news station and recorded close to transmission so as to include topical

11.00 Lily Tomiln: The Film Behind the

● CHOICE: The season of Nick Broomisid documentanes continues with his feature-length study of the American actress and comedienne, following over several months the evolution of her one-woman show as it travels across the United States on its way to Broadway. His subject is well chosen. On or off the screen Toman is a skilled and engaging performer, with an instructive laid for her audience whether it is a packed theatre or a television interviewer. The film is a good illustration of the about that talent is nothing without herd slog. Apart from the physical strain, Tomlin s life on the road presents a senes of artistic hurdles that must be overcome before the show can be put before the demanding New York audience. The decision to dispense with a commentary is defensible but Broomfield might have provided a short introduction for British audiences who know Toman only from her films

12.45am Film: Abel (1988) Winning ferce from Dutch director Alex Vari Wermerdam who also stars as the sponymous here a men of 31 stiff living with his parents despite their efforts to get him to leave. With English subtitles, Ends 2,36

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6.35am Open University (FM only) 6.55 News and Western Primemonic Orchestra under Von Karajan performs Greg -(Morning, Peer Gynt); the Arestardam Baroque victiestra under 700 Koopman, organ, performs Handel (Organ Concerto in B flat, Op 4, No 2): The LPO under the composer performs Macolim Amold (Scottain

7.30 News 7.35 Morrang Concert (cont): The Amedicus Quarter performe Beethoven (String Quarter in F, Op 18, No 1); planests Kate and Manelle Labeque perform Faure (Doty Surter); the Montreal SD under Charles Dutter parkeyers Scrook / I white

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8.35 Composers of the Week: The
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Pritchard performs Doffmenyt,
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No 1); and Baint Vazzonyi, pano (Paso Concerto No 1 in E minor) 9.36 Dvotak. The Alberri String Duartar with Virigina Black, harmorium, performs Gavotte for three Violins, B 164; Migraturas. Drobnesti in the

Minietures, Drobnosti, for two violens and viola. Oo 75a: and Begatelies for two violins, cello and narmonium (r) 10.15 Mozart's Clarinet Concerto. Performed by the Academy of Ancient Music under Christopher Hogwood, with Anthony Pay, basenet, 10-25 Venice, Splendour of the World, in about 1400 the

motet was used as a vehicle ... of political expression in northern Italy. Patron saints, nuters and prelates were all saluted in such people, which sought to emphases the prestige of the state. The Oriendo Consort sings motels WITH THE CHERT CHIEF IN Venice and the surrounding venuce and others with Robert territory, Music by Dutay; Cicona and others with Robert hims-Johns, countainerior, Charles Daniels and Bon Greig, Smith, lanors, and Bon Greig,

17:25 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra; Coptand (Suite, Rodeo); Barber (Adago or strings); Gershwin (Rhapsody

in Stud); Stockus (Symphony No 1 in E minor) 12.10pm

1.00 News 1.05 Rubbra and Bax: Erich Gruenberg, violin, and John McCabe, plano, perform Rubbra (Sonata No 1); and

Box (Soneta No 2) (r)
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heart, and covorance transack heart, and combines tragetly with vocal unituosity.
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5.30 Memby for Pleasure 7 00 News
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7:30 Proma 90. Live from the Albert Haff, London. The London Phelharmonic, under Klaus Tennistedt, performs Weber (Overture, Oberont): Brahms (Piano Concerto No 1 in Diminor): Beathoven (Symphony No 5 in Cimnor) 8:30 Lionel Saine Notific of the life and character of Sir Henry Wood Character of Sir Henry Wood 9:35 Four Dreadful Tales by Anton Chekhov. Part 2: Typhas. Is if just the shriking pipe of the pessenger string opposite that makes the young officer on the Petersburg to Moscotir train feel unwell? (r) that makes the young oncer on the Petersburg to Moscow train feel unwell? (r) 10.00 Mother and Daughter: Last of three programmes. Capnoom, with Margarat Field, soprano. performs Nicola Lefanu (Tno, Lament), and Ekzabeth

Maconchy (My Dark Heart)
11.00 Composers of the Week Weber (r) 12.00-12.05am News

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RADIO 4 the week German unity bacomes official. David

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Past with Robert Booth (a)
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Government's big rises for broadcast chiefs under attack

By TIM JONES AND JOHN LEWIS

THE government was last night condemned for awarding pay rises of 27 per cent to BBC governors, members of the Independent Broadcasting Authority and to members of the shadow Independent Television Commission and the shadow Radio Authority.

Under the award, announced yesterday, Marmaduke Hussey, chirman of the BBC governors and George Russell, chairman of the IBA and chairman elect of the ITC will have their salaries raised immediately from £39,200, for a four-day week, to £49,865 and to £50,365 on January 1 next year.

Lord Chalfont, chairman of the Radio Authority, will receive the same rate, but scaled down as he

Soviet rivals unite over economy

From MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

THE two Titans of Soviet politics, President Gorbachev, and Boris Yeltsin, president of the Russian Federation, agreed yesterday that "drastic measures" were needed to deal with the ailing Soviet economy and said that an economic agreement was urgently needed to unite the Soviet Union's 15 repub-

lics and establish a single market. The two leaders met for six hours in the Kremlin to discuss the state of the country and sort out their differences before a meeting of central and republic leaders today which may approve emergency economic measures,

A statement said they were worried about living conditions and the state of the economy and "agreed that the problems demand the consolidation of all forces and drastic measures". Their meeting took place against a background of worsening shortages and a record harvest, much of which is rotting before it reaches barns.

In an unprecedented joint television interview. Mr Gorbachev condemned "nihilism towards the law" and said "very profound decisions" could not be postponed. "The time limit is upon us," he said. Mr Yeltsin called for patience and said that any joint economic reform programme must not damage the sovereignty and interests of the republics".

Vitali Ignatenko, Mr Gorbaleadership has a single desire to stabilise the situation, to use its political authoritity to protect the new economic policy, the new union and perestroika."

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works a three-day week. The TUC attacked the rises last night as "another example of one law for the rich and another for the poor". A spokesman added: "It is unacceptable for ministers to be urging pay restraint on ordinary people while giving buge increases to top earners. This is just another example of how government policy is fuelling inflation."

Robin Corbett, Labour's broadcasting spokesman, also attacked the awards as "highly inflationary and totally unjust-

David Waddington, the Home Secretary, who announced the awards, is understood to have thought hard before approving the scale of the rises because of the anti-inflationary emphasis of government policy at a time when workers are being warned that big pay increases will cost

He decided, however, that with the start of a new, more compet-itive broadcasing world, higher salaries were justified.

He said the Top Salaries Review Body had recommended increase of six per cent from Apri 1990 and another one per cent from January 1991 for six bodies: the BBC, IBA. the ITC, the shadow Radio Au-thority, the Cable Authority, the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority. the Broadcasting Complaints Commission and the Broadcasting Standards Council under the chairmanship of Lord Rees-Mogg. whose salary will increase to £33,725 next year from £31,500.

He said the additional 20 per cent rises reflected the weight of responsibility attached to the apointments and would bring them more into line with the salaries awared to other public bodies with equivalent responsib-

The Home Office said yesterday that the chairmen of the Advisory. Conciliation and Arbitration Service and the Health and Safety Commission received salaries of £72,000 a year.

The awards come as unions at the BBC are preparing to fight against scores of job losses as the organisation prepares to put out work to private tender and at a time when ITN journalists are threatening 24-hour stoppages following the rejection of a 6 per cent pay offer.

Earlier this month, the BBC's 26,000 employees were awarded a 9.4 per cent pay rise.

Donald Allen, a deputy parliamentary commissioner for di iol cisul acsiz sug a former diplomat, has been appointed to the Broadcasting Complaints Commission, which adjudicates on complaints of unfair treatment and infringements of privacy in the making of television programmes.



Cambodian rebels back **UN** peace proposals

From Associated Press

THE Cambodian resistance, including the Khmer Rouge, yesterday announced it had accepted a plan for the United Nations to govern Cambodia until a new government can be elected.

The five permanent members of the security council worked out the plan on Tuesday. Vietnam and the Cambodian government it installed after it invaded in 1978 have yet to reply to the proposals, which call for the UN to "supervise and control ... if necessary five key Cambodian ministries: defence, foreign affairs, finance, public security and information. it would be an "unprecedented" UN operation to solve a regional conflict, an American diplomat said. It would cost up to \$5 billion

years and involve as many as 10.000 peacekeeping troops and 10.000 civilian personnel. "Now it is up to the four diplomat. "The question is, can they agree?" American officials will meet Vietnamese diplomats tomorrow to try to persuade

Hanoi to get the Cambodian

government to accept the

proposals.

(£2.6 billion) over one or two

Kinnock requests recall of Parliament

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

PARLIAMENT is expected to meet for a two-day debate on the Gulf late next week or early the week after, after a request for a recall from Neil Kinnock, the Leader of the Opposition. Mr Kinnock wrote to the Prime

Minister yesterday saying that now was the appropriate time for MPs to discuss the situation in the Gulf, especially the safety of hostages and the security of diplomatic staff. He told journalists at Westminster that he did not want to see the situation go too far into its second month without a recall. However, he promised "no comfort" for Saddam Hussein in what he emphasised would be a rational and supportive debate.

Conservative MPs are supporting the recall request as the American build-up reaches the point where offensive action becomes a possibility. Bernard Weatherill, the Speaker, who has to agree with the government on a recall, is understood to favour the return of MPs for a two-day debate.

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, leaves today for a six-day tour of the Gulf and Mr Kinnock MPs to meet when Mr Hurd was in a position to report back. Mrs Thatcher will reply to his letter on her return from Finland today.

Mr Kinnock emphasised that he was not seeking a recall to criticise the government's action, saying

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that a Labour government would have done just what the government has done. He had not been given any assurance about a recall and was not pressing for a particular date but he did not find ministers resistant to the idea. He predicted an impressive degree of

action in the Gulf. Mr Kinnock said that the diplomatic pressures and the economic sanctions being imposed on Iraq could not be effective without the willingness to use force in defence of Saudi Arabia. Labour would continue to press for "maximum possible intensity" in pursuit of a peaceful outcome but there could be no compromise on the demands for the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwaii and the release of all hostages. He said. however, that Western objectives should not include at this stage the toppling of Saddam Hussein.

Mr Kinnock said that if Parliament had been recalled at the outset of the Gulf affair it might have conveyed the wrong message to Saddam Hussein that the House of Commons was disconcerted.

problem for the party leaders if Parliament is recalled too quickly. At present, sections of both front benches are away from Westminster for refurbishment.

Cloud over the east of

Gulf debate, page 10

Airlines standing by for exodus from Iraq

Continued from page 1 behaviour. "He is beginning to recognise things he should not have done. The women and children should never have been

held, nor indeed should the men."

The prime minister, who said the option of military force had not been ruled out, repeatedly emphasised that the world was relying on the UN's resolutions and the rigorous enforcement of sanctions to force Iraq to withdraw from Knwait. They might take time to work, and the policy would be reviewed from time to time. Turkey yesterday rejected an Iraqi request for medicines and food, saying it would honour the

Mrs Thatcher said she would consult cabinet colleagues before answering Neil Kinnock's request for a recall of Parliament and a two-day debate on the Gulf is likely to be held within the next two weeks.

The meeting today in Amman between Javier Pèrez de Cuéllar, the UN secretary-general, and the Iraqi foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, would not be a negotiating session, she said. There was no need for a agreed by the UN Security Conscil was clear.

iraq was equally insistent that today's meeting with the UN secretary-general would not involve discussions about Kuwait. death sentence imposed on the The minister of information, Latif

Nszyyif Jassim, said in an Interview with The Times: "There can be no negotiations at all about Kuwait and its fate. Historically, it is fraqi and the al-Sahah family has gone to hell. The subject is closed." He said the talks would be about the Gulf crisis in general and the American presence there.

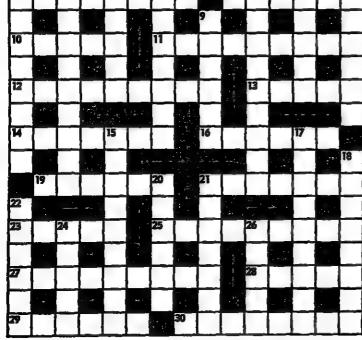
An American transport plane involved in the Gulf build-up crashed at an air base in West Germany, killing 13 of the 17 people on board. It was the worst. accident of the troop deployment. Meanwhile, the European Com-

munity indicated that it might limit the movements of Iraqi diplomats in its 12 member states in retaliation for the threst to close embassics in Kawait. A patement was expected by the weekend, but many members were spring following the American example of expelling diplomats for fear that it might provoter Baghdad into taking forther action against Eurons. France yesterday placed 26 tracis under house arrest. Those detained were military personnel and people with access to defence

While relations with Iraq begun face-to-face talks with Iran on the resumption of diplomatic relations after months of talks about talks. Ties were broken in March 1989 in protest over the mother Salman Rushdie

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THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,386



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- 23 Calculators providing heads to columns (5).
- 25 Sings about America in merry Solution to Puzzle No 18,385

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Concise Crossword, page 13

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Heward BANXRING a. The field at marbles b. A tree-shrew c. A Burmese ankle bracelet ZYMOME

a. A constituent of gluten b. A pronominal link c. The Albanian short kilt RHABDOPHILIST a. A stick collector b. A canine masochis c. A lover of radishes MESSAN

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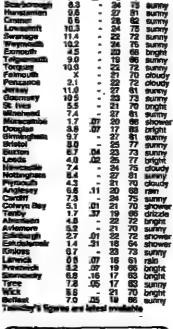
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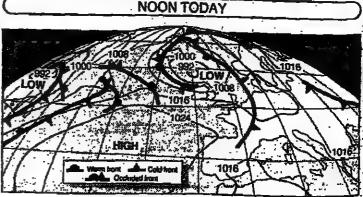
England will move away into the North Sea. Central areas will start dry and bright with sunny periods in many places but will become more cloudy. Northern and western areas will have showers which may be heavy at times and merge into longer periods of rain. It will be cooler than of late. Outlook: continuing showery in the MODERATE LIGHTING-UP TIME



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NatWest | Report condemns cynical plunder of names' funds triple A rating

NATIONAL Westminster Bank has lost its triple A rating after Standard & Poor's, the credit agency, downgraded its entire \$7.5 billion portfolio of commercial debt (Neil Ben-

The bank's senior debt now receives an AA+ rating. All its Junior debt, and its subsidiaries' paper are also being downgraded. Barclays is the only British bank to retain

S&P's said that the NatWest downgrading "reflects a marked deterioration in the bank's profitability and asset quality resulting from operating conditions which have been and are expected to remain difficult in the bank's domestic market and in the

The agency also pointed to a "substantial" decline in the bank's capital adequacy in the past two years as it has "grown its balance sheet internally and through acquisitions, dur-ing a period when retained earnings have been low due to substantial provisioning against LDC [lesser developed countries] debt."

Other factors cited by S&P's include declining domestic banking margins, the introduction of interest bearing current accounts, and increased competition in the residential mortgage and large corporate lending markets.

Pearson up 15% despite setback

Pearson, the publishing, entertainment and oil services conglomerate survived a 13 per cent downturn in trading profits from its newspaper and magazine division to increase pre-tax profits by 15 per cent to £97.9 million in the first half of the year. The interim dividend is being raised 19 per

Pearson's newpapers and magazines division, which in-cludes the Financial Times and the Westminster Press regional group suffered pressure on advertising revenues.

THE POUND

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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share 1658.9 (+1.5) FT-SE 100 2125.7 (-0.4) **New York Dow Jones** 2634.65 (+19.80)* Tokyo Nikkei Avge 24894.79 (-815.97) Closing Prices ... Page 25

Major indices and major changes Page 23

INTEREST RATES

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Japan Yen	296	2
Netherlands Gld	354	3
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Rates for small denomination bank only the supplied by Bardays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Retail Price Index: 126.8 (July)

belonging to names at Lloyd's, the London insurance market, was siphoned off into offshore companies and private trusts. according to two reports by the trade and industry department. DTI inspectors were appointed nearly

eight years ago to investigate two related scandals at Lloyd's. The separate investigations, both stemming from accountants' enquiries after the takeover of Alexander Howden, the quoted insurance group, were set up in 1982, but only published yesterday.

NEARLY \$100 million, much of it

Stewart Boyd QC and Peter du Buisson, the accountant, who submitted their final report on Minet Holdings and WMD Underwriting Agencies in January, say

principals of PCW Underwriting Agencies, then a subsidiary of Minet, deprived names of about \$53 million, including interest, mainly by diverting premiums

into bogus reinsurance contracts.

They conclude that Peter Dixon, then chairman of PCW, and Peter Cameron-Webb, the principal underwriter, were the main architects and beneficiaries of the schemes and that their actions were dishonest from start to finish.

Each was motivated by "a desire to achieve and maintain an extravagant lifestyle and to provide lavish benefits to his friends and associates at other people's expense. We can find no mitigating circumstances to excuse or condone the systematic, dishonest and cynical plunder of the names' premium over such a period of 1982, "flagrantly abused his responsibility, and despite his repeated unterances about the importance of integrity at Lloyd's, he has lied repeatedly to us and to others about his involvement in the schemes".

Mr Dixon and Mr Cameron-Webb are now fugitives from justice. Warrants for their arrest were issued in December 1988, just after the time limit for extradition from America expired.

Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, said he would apply for the disqualification of Messrs Dixon, Cameron-Webb and Wallrock as company directors.

Sir Robert Gatehouse and accountant

Ian Watt, who submitted their report on Alexander Howden in December 1985, say Kenneth Grob, its chairman, and three senior directors, Ronald Comery, Jack

transfer of about \$41 million from Howden companies and Lloyd's syndicates into their own offshore vehicles. principally the Southern companies. There were two principal purposes: their own personal benefit and the material overstatement of Howden profitability." They say most of this diverted money formed part of "complex schemes designed to overstate Howden's reported profits, by rolling forward underwriting and other

Mr Grob was cleared of all 16 charges of theft in connection with the issues covered in the report a year ago. Mr Comery died before the case began and Mr Carpenter and Mr Page were too ill to stand trial.

Lloyd's pointed out that its own investigations, alone with disciplinary measeveral years ago. Three principals in the Howden case who were members of Lloyd's were expelled. In the PCW case, Mr Wallrock, Mr Dixon and one other were excluded, Mr Dixon was fined £1 million and three others were disciplined. Mr Cameron-Webb resigned before Lloyd's received its enlarged powers.

Alan Lord, chief executive of Lloyd's, said: "The inspectors' criticisms of the inadequacies of pre-1982 regulation are tempered by their acknowledgement of the root and branch overhaul since then." The Serious Fraud Office said that apart

from the cases outstanding against Mr Dixon and Mr Cameron-Webb, no further prosecutions were envisaged.

Reforms, page 23

Inflation and interest rates 'to stay high'

substantial fall in inflation until 1992, according to the National Institute of Economic and Social Research. If the institute is right, the government's election timetable could be put in jeopardy.

institute says higher oil prices, high wage increases and a postponement in interest rate cuts have combined to worsen the outlook for inflation.

It is now forecasting that inflation will peak in the fourth quarter at 10.4 per cent and will still be 6.9 per cent by the fourth quarter of next year. This is more than two percentage points above the previous forecast for the end of 1991, made three months ago. The poorer outlook for

inflation means interest rates are likely to stay high for longer. The NIESR believes 14 per cent by the fourth quarter.

pects next year's economic appearing.

current account deficit may and investment. Raising in-

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

LAURA Ashley, the loss mak-

ing clothing and home

furnishings retailer, has struck

a £30 million deal with Jusco,

the Japanese retail group, that

will give Jusco a 15 per cent

stake in the British group and

halve Laura Ashley's debt

The Japanese company,

which trades under the Aeon

Group name, is paying £29.9

million for 35.2 million new

ordinary shares at a price of

85p each that will give it a 15

Aeon is also buying 48 per cent of Revman Industries,

Laura Ashley's American bed-

linen subsidiary, at a price that

values Revman at £18 mil-

lion. The deal will take

Revman's £14 million of debt

off Laura Ashley's balance

Laura Ashley and the Acon

per cent stake.

burden to about £50 million.

BRITAIN may not see a therefore turn out at about £18 terest rates at the beginning of billion this year and £17 the boom in 1987 and 1988 billion next year.

The institute's main fore-

cast assumes that the rise in oil tion because the balance of prices is confined to about \$5 barrel and lasts for three vears. The effect is to cut output in the leading seven economies by about 4 per In its latest Economic Recent and raise prices in the view, published yesterday, the first year by ½ per cent. Doubling the price rise would roughly double the effects. The institute, which has

long been associated with policies of devaluation, criticises the rise in sterling, which it says has "damaged the prospects for output and the balance of payments, without producing an early or pronounced improvement in the prospects for inflation". It has also made joining the ex-European Monetary System more difficult.

base rates will stay at 15 per they should make clear they while the gap with West cent until the second quarter "expect and intend" interest Germany and the Netherlands cent until the second quarter of next year, falling slightly to rates to fall, the institute is about twice as big. Inferior 14 per cent by the fourth believes. The markets would skill levels in Britain are then be likely to let the pound Prospects for the balance of fall, an adjustment which payments are also worse. Al- would be better before EMS though the NIESR now ex- membership than afterwards. Instead of relying so heavily

recovery to be postponed, the on interest rates, the governhoped-for fall in import vol- ment should use fiscal policy ume has been slow in to control the economy. Interest rate movements cause At the same time, a higher unexpected fluctuations in the exchange rate is making Brit- exchange rate that do not proish producers less competitive vide a lasting cure for inflation both at home and abroad. The and are disruptive for trade

Laura Ashley debts halved

Ashley: Stake diluted

per cent of LA Japan at a price

to be determined by an in-

Laura Ashley's shares,

which had fallen to a low of

49p, jumped 18p to 67p on the

news. The shares were floated

at 135p five years ago and

dependent valuation.

would have done relatively little to avert the rise in inflapayments would have deteriorated faster and sterling would subsequently have fallen further, says the institute. Looking further ahead, the

NIESR thinks the government's "hard ecu" alternative route to European monetary union could give Britain the worst of all worlds. Other countries would adopt the ecu as a common currency while in Britain it would be an alternative, increasing transaction costs while allowing the government no real independence of monetary policy.

On a happier note, the institute's researchers think the productivity gap between change-rate mechanism of the Britain and France has narrowed over the 1980s from about 42 per cent in 1979 to 22 If the authorities are serious per cent in 1989. It is, how-about exchange-rate stability, ever, still higher than in 1973 largely to blame.

• The American index of leading indicators remained unchanged last month, signalline a flat economy, according to the commerce department yesterday. The flat index followed a 0.1 per cent gain last month but showed increases in manufacturers' orders and a slight improvement in consumer expectations.

group's chairman, will have

his stake diluted to 59.2 per

Sir Bernard, who through

family trusts held over 70 per

cent of the group, has granted

Aeon the right of first refusal

to buy up to 5 per cent of Laura Ashley, should be wish

floating its Japanese business

on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

The deal, which is yet to be

approved by shareholders, will effectively halve Laura

Ashley's debt, which was almost £100 million at its year

The transaction will also

allow the group to renegotiate

its loan facilities on more

its American business.

below 50 per cent.

end in January.

Laura Ashley is considering

Interims at Cadbury Schweppes

By COLIN CAMPBELL

CADBURY Schweppes, the confectionery and soft drinks group, pushed interim pre-tax profits past the £100 million level to £104.7 million (£93.9 million) in the six months ended June 16. Sir Graham Day, the chairman, and Dominic Cadbury, the chief executive, remain confident for the rest of the year.

people still seem willing to spend money on chocolates and soft drinks - even before paying the mortgage," Sir Graham said.

The interim dividend rises from 2.8p to 3p a share, paid

with confectionery contri-buting £600.8 million (£466.2 million (£688.3 million).

8 per cent, and overall, from 8.7 to 9.2 per cent. Cadbury Schweppes yes-terday ruled itself as a possible bidder for British Sugar, "We

is also considering an American flotation of part of Sir Bernard said yesterday that he could anticipate a time when his holding may fall

wards the second half, and that the interim results confirmed that the momentum of Cadbury was being sustained. "All acquisitions made in 1989 are making satisfactory progress, and overall are in e with our expectations." Sir Graham added.

Tempes, page 23

group are to extend their touched 237p in 1986, but 50/50 joint venture in Japan, have been falling since. As a 50/50 joint venture in Japan, have been falling since. As a its loan facilities and Acon will buy a further 10 result of the issue of new favourable terms. West Midlands and North of England worst affected

Business failure rate soars by 83%

By DEREK HARRIS, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE number of business failures in Britain jumped 83 per cent in the second quarter of this year compared with the same period of 1989. The sharp increase represents a further deterioration in the failure rate, which rose 61 per cent on a

year-on-year basis in the first quarter. Engineering, metals, building and construction were the worst-hit in-dustries. The West Midlands and the North of England were the most badly

affected regions. This gloomy picture emerges from the latest quarterly review by Trade Indemnity, the credit insurance group, which monitors failures through claims made by its policy holders.

Last year, the failures traced by Trade indemnity amounted to about a quarter In the second quarter of this year there

were 1,080 business failures against 592

in the same period of last year and 1,009 in the first quarter of this year.

Trade Indemnity believes that smaller

companies are being hit hardest by the tougher economic climate, though the number of household names being driven out of business is also rising.

Clive Brand, Trade Indemnity's senior economist, believes the failure rate may stay at its present level for the rest of this year, reaching a seasonal peak in the first

quarter of next year.

Normally the failure rate is highest in the first quarter, though this year it has continued to rise (by 9 per cent between the first and second quarters), underlining the difficulties faced by a wide spectrum of industries.

Mr Brand suggests that the failure rate should decline once interest rates start to fall. He also expects yearly output increases to rise from 1.5 per cent to just over 2 per cent next year. The second-quarter failure wave en-

dustries, with 130 per cent more companies in these sectors being driven out of business. As a result, the West Midlands, where insolvencies rose 167 per cent, was the worst-hit region.

The West Midlands has been sorely affected by a decline in the vehicle and components industries as car and truck sales have fallen.

In the building and construction sectors, insolvency numbers rose 110 per cent in the second quarter.

The failure rate in chemicals jumped 92 per cent and in furniture plus upholstery 52 per cent. Food and agriculture saw a 49 per cent rise in the number of insolvencies and textiles and clothing a 30 per cent increase.

In the regions, second-quarter insolvencies rose 125 per cent in the Northwest, 135 per cent in the Southwest, 45 per cent in Wales, and 78 per cent in the Southeast.



IEA set to resist Opec THE International Energy did not participate in the

Countries to IEA members,

"We are resilient because

out of net earnings up from 9.65p to 9.81p a share. Sales rose 22.3 per cent to £1.41 billion (£1.15 billion),

million) and beverages £811.5 Trading margins in Britain rose a full percentage point to

have so many opportunities in

front of us in what we are already good at." Sir Graham said profit continued to be weighted to-

Agency, which represents ma-jor oil consumers, is expected meet in Paris tomorrow, said Arabia, which is now free to

including the UK, to use strategic oil stocks to lift

supply fears. In Vienna yesterday, Opec formally sanctioned produc-tion increases that are likely to add three million barrels a day to the cartel's output.

However, Opec members

said additional supplies should be supplemented by oil drawn from strategic stocks held by western governments. Almost four million barrels a day have been lost due to the embargo of Iraq and Kuwait. iraq, which normally accounts for 20 per cent of Oper output.

to resist calls by the Organis- it did not expect member- increase production by ment-held stocks. "So far the oil supply situa-

> tional measures, including recourse to government stockpiles," said Helga Steeg, the IEA's executive director. being kept under constant resolved.

Iran, which asked Opec to price" of \$21 a barrel. delay any decision on new quotas until after the 21nation IEA had met in Paris.

been rejected by the agency.

day to 7.2 million. Venezuela and the United Arab Emirates tion has not warranted addi- will each produce an additional 600,000 barrels a day. Opec said it would return to

its quota agreement, reached in Geneva on July 27, when 'However, the situation is the Middle East tension is

The cartel has also left open The IEA's stand is likely to the possibility of raising the strengthen the position of existing "minimum reference In London, oil prices cased

following the Opec declaration. October Brent traded Iranian proposals for a joint down 20 cents at \$25.67 a meeting of Opec and IEA have barrel, after touching a low of \$25.39 in early trading.

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WH Smith trades up

Increase in staff costs hits Cathay Pacific

CATHAY Pacific, Hong Kong's flag-carrier airline, in-creased net interim profits 4.1 per cent to HK\$1.42 billion (£101 million), well below market forecasts of between 9 and 12 per cent per cent.

The airline said profits had been hit by rises in staff and fuel costs, lower passenger and cargo load factors and a smaller return on invested funds during the six months to end-June. Rising oil prices after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait could lead to a fall in profits for the year, it added.

The interim dividend remains unchanged at 10.5 HK

Asea rises 10%

Asea, the Swedish power engineering company that is part of ABB Asea Brown Boveri, the Swiss-Swedish conglomerate, raised net profits 10 per cent to Krl.61 billion (£144 million). Revenue was up from Kr62.37 billion to Kr80.40 billion. Profits per share rose from Kr18.70 to Kr19.20.

Genbel gains

Genbel Investments, the South African investment group that has a 14.6 per cent stake in TransAtlantic Holdings, is paying a final dividend of 15.5 South African cents, making 27.5 cents (26 cents) for the year. Its investments at June 30 were valued at R3.6 billion (£725.8 million)
against R2.5 billion at the end of the last financial year.

BASF declines

BASF, the West German chemical company, suffered a fall in net profits from DM988 million to DM785 million in the first half of the year. The result reflects a downward trend throughout West Germany's chemical industry, which has been hit by the strong mark.

Renaissance up

Renaissance Holdings, the specialist investment company, increased pre-tax profits 20 per cent from £272,000 to £326,000 in the six months to end-June. The interim dividend has been raised 4 per cent, from 1.25p to 1.3p.

Volvo slumps

Net profits at Volvo, the Swedish car maker, slumped from Kr4.25 billion to Kr2.05 billion (£180 million) in the Swedish company had called first half of this year because off the talks because of what it tions for sufficient shares of falling demand. Turnover fell from Kr46.55 billion to company through pre-bid senting a cash injection of

Racing and hotels help Ladbroke to £158.2m

By MARTIN WALLER

Copenhagen, Oslo, Lisbon

Of the group's three other

core businesses, property had

performed much the same as

last year, aided by various

five-year rental reviews.

"We're not selling anything at

depressed prices. We're only

selling those properties for

which there is a demand and

where we can get back our pro

The Texas do-it-yourself re-

forma prices," said Mr Stein.

tail side had seen margins un-

der pressure along with the

rest of the industry, but an in-

crease in market share, parti-

cularly in sales of hitchens, had kept like-for-like perfor-mance at the same level as last-

time. Ladbroke has no interest

in acquiring any of the sites

the receivership at Lowndes

Queensway, as most were too

close to existing Texas

Ladbroke Racing had con-

tinued to gain competitive

advantage, achieve increased

margins and create further

profit opportunities since the

start of the year. Mr Stein said

racing was one of the few businesses to hold up well to

full-scale off-track betting the-

atre in Pennsylvania had

"substantially exceeded ex-

It also confirmed

• Finlan Group's refinancing

has received valid applica-

the management".

Activity at the group's first

an economic recession,

and Buenos Aires.

A STRONG performance were taking place in Tokyo, from hotels and racing helped pre-tax profits at Cyril Stein's Ladbroke Group rise £17 mil-tion to a record £158.2 million in the six months to end-June. The interim dividend is raised

from 4.14p to 4.68p. Mr Stein, the chairman, said the board had decided to sell two of its five-star London notels and land on the Pacific island of Guam to finance expansion of the Hilton International hotel chain.

There had been "an enormous amount of interest" in the Regents Park and the Olympia Hiltons, with three overseas groups currently in negotiations with Ladbroke.

The group had indicated it might raise funds by selling equity stakes in its hotels around the world, and although this was still an option, an asset disposal looked the more immediate route.

The two hotels are likely to fetch perhaps £160 million and the land in Guam, more than 700,000 sq ft in all, could be worth another £70 million. There was "a very good chance" the sales could be completed by the financial

year end. With the Langham Hilton rebuilt and reopened in March and Ladbroke's other sites in Park Lane and Kensington, the group was "over the top" in London, he added. A hotel was about to be added, by a joint venture and manage-ment agreement, in Mexico City, while talks on openings

Speyhawk counters market talk over bid

THE Speyhawk property com- cision had been taken because pany confirmed yesterday that of "the uncertain world polits two-month bid talks with itical and economic climate". Nordstiernan of Sweden had been abandoned. Speyhawk's Nordstjernan is to retain its shares ended at 99p after 4.9 per cent stake in Speyhawk opening at 95p, down 78p and will "continue to support

from Tuesday's close. A statement was issued to counter market talk that the can go ahead. The company had discovered about the under its open offer, repre-

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pectations," and plans had been accelerated to open a further five in the state. Tempus, page 23

Ratners still seeks full

RATNERS is still considering how to gain full control of Kay lewelers, the American group

Ratners has control of the company and 91.5 per cent of \$100 million in Kay junk bonds but it has only 12.4 per cent of another issue totalling

Richard Miller, chief financial officer for Ratners Sterling, said the second issue carried a very high coupon rate of 12.4 per cent, which was unattractive.

Ratners was exploring ways of buying out the remaining bond holders.

Anthonic van Ekras, the Kay chairman, sold 17 per cent of his stake in the company, 60,000 shares, for \$13.13 a share and Harry Braverman, a vice president of the company, sold his total stake of 15,165 shares for

Goodman bankers control of Kay face big provisions

THE bankers of Goodman banks to suffer bad debts of

International, the meat processing group, face heavy loan provisions if the company goes into administration this week, as expected.

Yesterday the Dail, the Irish parliament, agreed legislation to give companies protection against their creditors, modelled on the Chapter 11 regulations in America. The legislation was rushed through a special parliamentary session

to help Goodman. Goodbody, the Dublin broker, has reduced its profit forecasts for the Bank of Ireland by Is£15 million (£13.5 million) and Allied Irish Bank by Ir£12 million, because of Goodman's difficulties and the knock-on effects they will have on Ireland's agricultural

The broker expects the

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Sir Simon Hornby: 'scope for further improvement' Tompes, page 23

ir£50 million each on their agricultural lending this year, a tenth of their total exposure. The domestic problems will

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

PROFITS at WH Smith, the retail group that includes Do It All and Our Price, were hit

by rising interest rates last

year. The group made trading

profits of £111 million, up from £97.6 million, in the year

to June 2, but a doubling in

the interest charge and lower

property profits meant pre-tax

profits fell from £89.7 million

Sales rose 10 per cent to

£2.13 billion and earnings per

share, excluding property profits, rose 11 per cent to

29.9p. The final dividend is

7.5p, making 11.5p for the

Sir Simon Hornby, WH

Smith's chairman, said he was

pleased with the performance

of Our Price music and video

chains. The group's video

sales rose 46 per cent to £49 million; Our Price sales rose

Productivity rose at WH Smith Retail with sales per employee up 9 per cent, sales

per square foot up 6 per cent.

and profit per square foot up 15 per cent. Sir Simon said

there was scope for further

Do It All was disappointing, with profits down 15 per cent

to £9.6 million. Sir Simon said

the slump in the property mar-

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WH Smith Television is

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compound the Bank of Ireland's problems with First New Hampshire, its American subsidiary, and the group is expected to make only Ir£105 million this year, a 19 per cent

The two principal Irish banks' involvement in Goodman is extremely small, however, considering they have control over more than 90 per cent of the country's bankins

SECIOT. Goodman borrowed from a consortium of 33 inter-national institutions, including Banque Nationale de Paris and Crédit Agricole, the French banks, and ABN of the Netherlands.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Profits build up 10% at Alfred McAlpine

ALFRED McAlpine, the building civil engineering and construction group, reported a 10 per cent increase in interim pre-tax profits to £5 million to end-June, despite a sharp downturn in housebuilding profits. The company is maintaining the interim dividend at 4.5p a share. Earnings were 6.4p a share, compared with 0.2p.

Group turnover increased by 5 per cent to £299 million, with all but one of five divisions increasing their pro-tax contributions. The homes division reported profits down from £10.3 million to just over £3 million. However, the setback was offset by a recovery in construction, which contributed £5.34 million, reversing last year's comparable losses of £3.44 million. Minerals contributed £440,000, against £119,000: American operations increased earnings from £949,000 to £1.35 million and property activities from £464,000 to £552,000.

Microvitec's £2.14m loss

MICROYITEC. the USMquoted computer peripher-als maker being restructured under new management, has announced a £2.14 million pre-tax loss for the six months to end-June, com-pared with a £1.13 million interim profit in 1989. The dividend is 0.1p (0.75p). James Bailey, Microvitee's chairman, said it hoped to return to profit by the end of

Setback at Alphameric

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ALPHAMERIC, the information systems and key-board manufacturer, reports a pre-tax loss of £11.5 million for the year ended March 31. This is slightly larger than the £11 million forecast by the new management in March. Alphameric made a £1.3 million loss last year. No dividend is being paid, against a total of 2p. Alphameric predicts a loss for the current year.

Trust halves payout

SCOTTISH Heritable Trust is halving the interim dividend to 1.5p a share after losses of £3.88 million before tax in the six months to end-June, against profits of £3.32 million last time. There was a loss of 8.9p a share, against earnings of

Shareholders were also warned that while the second half would be profitable, the York industrial and property group would only break even for the year as a whole. Robin Garland, chief executive, attributed the setback mainly to a "dramatic turnaround" in the performance of the property and housebuilding divisions.

Tern is back in the black

TERN, the property and development group, earned pre-tax profits of £136,000 in the first half of this year, against losses of £2.92 million. Earnings per share were 0.27p (loss of 5.57p) and once again there is no dividend. Turnsver rose from £25.1 million to £27.3 million. The group netted an initial £2.8 million for its 50 per cent interest in Tern Property Services.

Monument advances

MONUMENT Of and Gas reported net income of £3.28 million for the sex months to end-lune against a restated £2.48 million last time. Earnings were 0.68p (0.52p). There is no interior divident (nil): Turnover was £14,6 million (£12 million) and operating profits £2.1 mil-tion (£962,000). Results for 1989 have been restated to include the £61.7 million

Docks result up 128%

MERSEY Docks & Harboer Company has reported a 128 per cent increase in pro-tex profits to \$4.86 million for the first half of the year, Before exceptional items, the rise was S2.8 per cent. A 1.7p interim dividend represents a 28 per cent accesse. Less year's professors hit for a £1 million exceptional charge to cover the uniqual dock strike.

Bill Stater, the chairman, said the unique of performance reflected the benefits of the abolition of the National Dock.

Labour Scheme. But he gave warning that "it would be improdent for me to anticipate that the performance in the second half of 1990 will recessarily maintain the same deput.

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The National Institute of Economic and Social Research, the government's bête noire, usually has an intriguing story. In its last review, it offered a distinctly more optimistic outlook than most others in the forecasting fraternity. This time, the outlook is markedly gloomier. Inflation, in the institute's book, does not peak until the final quarter of the year and is still nearly 7 per cent by the end of next. If it is right, the government's room for electoral manoeuvre has narrowed considerably in the course of the summer.

It is easy enough to agree with the institute that higher oil prices he soon will, and encourage a fall will give a short-term boost to inflation. The assumption by forecasters that oil prices will be about \$5 a barrel higher than before over the next three years is hardly extravagant. It is also true that wage settlements are running at a worrying level, though whether this will result in inflation or unemployment is an Open question

Where the NIESR differs from the government is, as usual, in its attitude to the exchange rate. The

Economic options are narrowing

government sees the appreciation of the pound as a vital part of its counter-inflation strategy, the institute regards it "unwelcome". Home production change rate largely arises. will become less competitive there are signs of this in the Confederation of British Industry's latest survey - and any chance of improvement in the balance of payments will have been postponed. John Major says the institute should cut interest rates, or at least make it clear that

In opting for devaluation, the institute is implicitly voting for higher inflation and lower unemployment. The government may be optimistic in assuming that industry will adapt to a high exchange rate by curbing its costs. But the institute is equally optimistic in presuming after the history of the last 20 years that a lower exchange rate will maxi-

in the pound.

mise employment. The problem with the ex-

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according to the institute, because of the primacy given by the government to monetary

Interest rates have to rise to cool the economy and up goes the pound. This, in turn, makes Britain's exports uncompetitive, the balance of payments deficit widens and the scene is set for another painful readjustment a little further down the road. The idea that all would have been well if only Nigel Lawson had raised interest rates a little earlier is quite wrong, says the NIESR, because the balance of payments problem would simply have been

The solution, according to the economists in Dean Trench Street, is a more active fiscal policy. They may be right that, once inside the exchange-rate

mechanism of the European Monetary System, with monetary policy effectively set by the Bundesbank, fiscal policy will regain some of its demand management role. But it is a relatively inflexible weapon, Meanwhile, a firm pound is the best counter-inflationary policy the government has.

Lazards surge

While more focused companies have been showing the effects of high interest rates all too clearly, Pearson is acting like a model conglomerate. As one side goes down, namely newspapers and magazines, the other, in this case the oil services division and

investment banking, has risen. Pearson's information and

entertainment division has been the engine room of its growth for years, with profits rising 170 per cent in the last five years. So it was not surprising it should finally stumble.

The advertising market has grown tough even at the Financial Times' rarefied level. The division will also bear the £2 million cost of the business newspaper's launch in Japan this year, where it has gained a princely 1,500 readers.

Overall, the information and entertainment businesses still saw trading profits rise 13 per cent to £57.7 million, mainly due to Alton Towers' first-time contribution of £2.7 million and a turnaround in the book

division to a £2.1 million profit. It was Camco and Reda, the oil services businesses, that stole the limelight, and increased profits 53 per cent to £15.1 million. The performance vindicates the decision three years ago by Lord Blakenham, the chairman, to

divest from North exploration and expand in a sector that was then as fashionable as flared trousers.

Lazards, the merchant bank, was the one surprise in the results that allowed the group to outperform analysts' forecasts. While merger and acquisition work in the City has declined this year, the bank has so far taken a larger slice of the market, acting particularly for National Australia Bank in its acquisition of Yorkshire Bank.

Despite the 15 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £97.9 million, Lord Blakenham is right to cry caution to anyone trying to forecast the outcome for the year. Pearson's book business, particularly Penguin and Addison-Wesley, are heavily geared to the start of the school year and Christmas sales in the second half.

In the longer term, the group still has work to do. Its 22.3 per cent stake in Elsevier is now occupying capital of £365 million, with a yield of less than 3 per cent. Nevertheless, Pearson continues to confound the critics of its broad empire.

TIME, reforms, prosecution and failure to prosecute have left the reports by the trade department's inspectors on the Lloyd's scandals at Alexander Howden and Minet's PCW syndicates as 1,100 pages of history. But that is some of the murkiest history in commercial life this century. It portrays the world's premier insurance market as a den of corruption.

Before the clean-up, launched in 1982, Lloyd's was a financial red-light district peopled by men exhibiting all the outward signs of respectability. Many were honest, but a sizcable minority, including some of the most senior and successful figures, were operating sharp practices. The inspectors note that some of the massive fraud eventually revealed in the case of PCW syndicates came to light only with the takeover of Alexander Howden. So it is a fair bet that corruption spilled over into illegality and fraud more than will ever be revealed.

That corruption stemmed from the chemistry between high income tax rates and inconvenient foreign exchange controls, laws that carried little respect, and the technical means to avoid them legally or evade them illegally. The stables have been cleaned so comprehensively that the innurance market can now claim the only risks are those implicit in the insurance business, including incompetent management of syndicates.

ie controls have long gone, except in cases of sanctions, and income taxes are no longer at oppressive levels. Beyond the more transparent walls of Lloyd's, however, it is salutary to remember that the technical means to evade taxes, fiddle profits and syphon off funds are much more widely available, partly due to the removal of such corrupting laws.

The secret weapon revealed in the case of Alexander Howden, which was used as a conduit for the PCW fraud, was reinsurance. Using a proportion of insurance premiums to lay off risk through reinsurance is a vital feature of pru-

As the inspectors report into

Lloyd's puts lurid past behind it with reforms



Wallrock (left) and Cameron-Webb

bogus reinsurance contracts the company and later, to supcould also be used to achieve a ervise the rebelliously success-With the flexibility offered by these could massage company accounts, inflate published profits and evade tax. They paid to Lloyd's names underpockets of their managers.

The Howden inspectors use Howden, who was brought in havens, to draw back in bad

Alexander Howden details, as a respected figure to sort out

variety of different purposes. ful underwriter, Ian Posgate. "And so," said Mr Grob in Lloyd's three-year accounts, evidence, "we decided that we would do what we always did when we had a problem, that is to say use the reinsurance could also shift premiums route. We had been solving our own and other people's writing syndicates into the problems for years with

reinsurance." Some contracts, known as as the epigraph to their report rollovers, were secret ways of a statement by Kenneth Grob, stashing away funds from former chairman of Alexander good years, usually in tax

times. In Howden's case, roll-over contracts to group com-panies from Posgate syndi-cates were included in How-den profits and liabilities not disclosed when the man known as Goldfinger had two bad years and reclaimed the money back. Such undisclosed rollovers are now banned.

Profits could also be inflated by false reinsurance of losses, though the losses could not be disguised for ever. Huge premiums for "reinsur-ance" that existed only on paper could also be used to divert funds, for paying taxlining principals' pockets the basis of the estimated \$53 million fraud on PCW names.

Lloyd's seems to have banned such abuses and many other malpractices, by using the self-regulatory powers won under the 1982 Lloyd's Act. In particular, a new, more professional management has implemented virtually all the 70 recommendations of the Neill committee, imposed on Lloyd's to ensure that Lloyd's names had protection equal to that provided under the Financial Services Act, which does not apply to Lloyd's.

Dealing with these two ca-

ses has equally exposed, in a different sense, a scandal of duplication, delay and incompetence in regulation and enforcement, culminating in the issue of warrants for the arrest of the PCW principals only in 1988, a few days after the possibility of extradition from America went out of time.

Realising a need for some action, Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, has applied for Peter Dixon and Peter Cameron-Webb, the two PCW principals, and John Wallrock, the former chairman of Minet, to be disqualified as directors.

The Serious Fraud Office may prove more competent in future, though recent en-quiries abroad do not inspire confidence. Duplication between regulators appears to have grown worse. The case is greater than ever for proregulators to have executive and punitive powers to speed justice.

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Sweet and sour at Cadbury

done well on sales, trading and on the pre-tax front in the six months to June 16. But on the General Cinema front, growth at the net earnings holder of 16.5 per cent and level appears to have melted still regarded as "just another in the sun.

The high cost of group acquisitions, compounded by the increase in issued shares and higher minority charges. leaves net earnings only 1.6

per cent ahead at 9.81p. A profit contribution from acquisitions and a traditionally stronger second half should still see year-on-year net earnings higher. But the extent of the premium to the market is beginning to look harder to justify, whatever the

group's long-term strength. In Britain, Cadbury's market share has risen to 28.4 per cent. Pre-tax profits at £104.7 million against £93.9 million were up to market expectations. The heat wave has proved a bonus for the drinks side, and overall margins on beverages improved from 6.7 to 7.3 per cent.

Interest cover at 5.1 times, against 13.1 previously, is in line with the group's financial goal, and the 7 per cent dend to 3p a share is some compensation for the modest price. growth at the net earnings

operations in difficult limes is well demonstrated by the 7p fall to 272p yesterday. groups. Borrowings have been reduction from 12.1 per cent Ladbroke's interims are increased by almost £100 mil-fairly rated.

CADBURY Schweppes has to 11.3 per cent in the average interest rate paid. There is no fresh excitement

shareholder". Cadbury Schweppes and its

products should remain resilient despite cracks in most world economies. The group should see pre-tax profits around £289 million at the year-end. At 323p, the pros-pective p/e is 12.3.

Ladbroke

SHAREHOLDERS in the Ladbroke Group have been on something of a switchback ride during the past 12 months.

The price has approached, or crossed, the 340p mark three times, only to dive back sharply towards 260p. Such volatility is, perhaps, not surprising in a group that makes a living in the leisure, retail and property sectors.

Of more concern has been the mounting pile of debt, the news with the full-year figures that this stood at about £1.4 increase in the interim divi-dend to 3p a share is some penultimate dive in the share

The shares are now in the evel. doldrums once again, a
The skill of its treasury strongly defensive set of interim fil ures causing a mirule

never as detailed as the market lion despite disposals of £61.8 would like.

Pre-tax profits rose from £141.2 million to £158.2 million, a little below the best market expectations, although analysts have been well primed to downgrade their full-year forecasts to £340

million or so. Ladbroke is cagey as to how much interest is capitalised, but, given that borrowings are unlikely to have fallen by much since the financial year-end, while interest charges are unchanged at about £30 million, a figure of £40 million is

The group has the long-term support of a break-up value not far short of twice the current market capitalisation, but the shares are selling on a prospective multiple of almost

Not a lot to chase in the short term.

WH Smith

not unreasonable.

WH SMITH cannot be accused of short-termism. It spent £98.9 million acquiring companies last year, and more than doubled its interest payments to £24.7 million in the year to June 2.

The company is in a better future

million. Gearing is in excess of 50 per cent, up from 30 per

Sales rose 10 per cent to £2.13 billion, but the hike in interest rates kept pre-tax profits static at £88.1 million for the 52 weeks to June 2, compared with £89.7 million for the previous 53 weeks. After stripping out property profits, the group made £86 million last year (£84.1 million) and earnings per share rose 11 per cent to 29.9p. The final dividend is 7.5p, making 11.5p, up 11 per cent.

Smith's retail businesses including Our Price, WH Smith, Waterstones, and airport retailing in America, had a good year with trading profits up 18 per cent at £91.8 million. Do It All, the DIY business, had a poor year with profits down 15 per cent to £9.6 million.

Smith's distribution business increased trading profits by 68 per cent to £24.1 million but WH Smith Television, which broadcasts through the Astra satellite, more than doubled its losses to £5.1 million.

Goldman Sachs is forecasting pre-tax profits of £97.5 million this year, putting the position to invest for the shares, down 4p at 322p, on a ings, where they look to be

True blue in the pink

YOUNG and cynical as they so often are, stock market analysts usually think that they have seen it all. But they were, to a person, stunned into silence when Pearson, the Financial Times to Madam Tussauds group unveiled its interim results. For during the analysts' presentation in a private room at London's Savoy Hotel yesterday they were treated to the first UK showing of the FT's new promotional video - produced by the group's fledgling television production com-pany, FITV - which will be used at the launch of its Japanese printing facility in May next year. And who should appear on the screen. extolling the virtues of the newspaper and boasting about its increase in circulation? None other than Mrs Thatcher, reading her own script a little woodenly from a teleprompter. "It was a terrible performance," reports one who was present. "And jaws literally dropped." She also called upon Japan to open up its financial markets to British firms and finished by reiterating the newspaper's advertis-ing slogan, "No FT, no comment". Those who enquired afterwards as to her fee - a question that had also been earnestly posed by members of the Japanese financial community after an earlier screening in Tokyo - were

informed that there had been

none. And Lord Blakenham,

the Pearson chairman, assured the incredulous British audience that the choice of her suit colour had been her own. It was FT salmon pink.

IT IS an ill wind ... Robin Biggam, the charming and courteous chief executive at BICC, has no wish to benefit from the unrest in the Middle East. But he has been forced to admit that the Iraqi invasion has had one favourable effect on the company's extremely small cables business out there. Its main competitor until recently was Kuwait

Alarm bells

THE temperamental smoke alarms saga at WH Smith's Strand headquarters bas taken a new twist. After persistent setting-off of alarm bells a year ago was eventually found to be triggered by the use of portable telephones, the 36 analysts at



ing were asked to refrain from using their telephones near the alarms. So anxious were they to comply with the request that one of the five females present was overheard by an attentive cleaner making her telephone call to the office from the privacy of the women's toilet.

Closed book THE length of the sentences

given to the Guinness trial defendants clearly did not come as much of a surprise to the photographers who had been covering the trial. Once the verdict had been announced, they opened a book on the anticipated aggregate of the jail terms to be served and their estimates ranged from four to 20 years. The final tally was eight-and-a-half years and the winner was a woman from the Press Association, whose prediction of nine years was deemed to be the closest. She denied any suggestion that she had been acting on inside information but, nevertheless, asked not to be named.

A case for Watson JAMES Watson, golf-loving former top international bond analyst at James Capel, has joined Dunedin Fund Managers, in Edinburgh, to set up a global fixed-interest team. Watson, aged 26, moved from London to the Scottish capital a month ago, and will be working under Alan Kemp, the firm's popular deputy chief executive known for his

yesterday's post-results brief- penchant for exotic sports cars. Now busy looking for a second person to help run the division, Watson, an economics graduate from Sheffield university, admits that he has been casting his eye over the local greens. "It is an advantage to have 22 golf courses in the area," he says, adding that he hopes to achieve a drastic reduction in his golf handicap.

Out of tune

THE ramifications of the Guinness trial have swept beyond the City to York university. The deans there have been scratching their heads over the fate of one of their most prestigious venues — the Sir Jack Lyons concert hall which was named in honour of the millionaire financier, due to be sentenced next month. Sir Jack has bestowed a small fortune on the university over the years. The stu-dents' union is, it seems, less concerned and has stoically taken the view that any pub-licity is good publicity. "I think it adds a bit of character to the university," says Andy Harrison, deputy president of the union, adding that the most famous alumni to date include Harvey Proctor and Harry "Loadsamoney" Enfield, the comedian. But music-lovers have been puzzled to note that notices of future engagements now refer simply to the Lyons concert hall - perhaps in the hope that

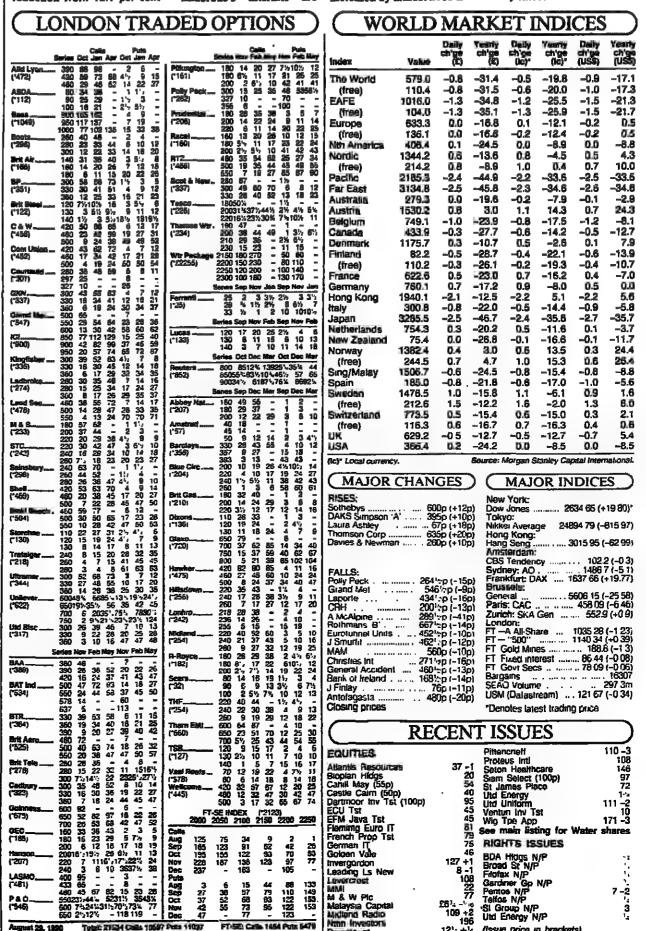
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Dow slips in early dealings

BLUE chips eased in early trading, but the broad market was firm. The Dow Jones industrial average was 8.17 lower at 2,606,68 by 10,30 am. Investors were waiting for news from the Middle East. Rising shares had a slight lead over falling ones.

Alan Ackerman, of Gruntal and Co, said that the market's drift down should continue as investors and dealers resist buying on a large scale before the long weekend. The stock exchange is closed on Monday for Labor Day, July's singlefamily home sales fell 2.3 per cent after a revised increase of 4.7 per cent for June. The figure had little effect on

Tokyo falls 815 points

Shares closed sharply lower because of fears of climbing interest rates and profit-taking after three days of gains. The Nikkei index was down 815.97 points, or 3.17 per cent. to 24,894.79.

Opec lift for Frankfurt

PRICES ended higher after a weak start, recovering on the news that Opec was prepared to raise oil production. The DAX index ended at 1,637.66, a rise of 19.77 points, or 1.22 per cent.

• Singapore - Shares closed broadly lower after narrow price movements in thin and lethargic trading. The Straits Times industrial index retreated 2.85 to 1,214.56.

◆ Hong Kong — Shares mirrored Tokyo's movements. falling to the day low's in late trading. The Hang Seng index fell 62.99 points, or 2.05 per cent, to 3,015.95.

 Sydney — The market closed slightly lower in featureless dealings, with brokers and investors waiting for developments in the Middle East. The All-Ordinaries in-dex closed 5.1 lower at

STOCK MARKET

Next falls to low of 33p on talk of disposal problems

THINGS seem to be going from bad to worse for Next, the troubled fashion retailer, with the shares falling 4p to a low of 33p yesterday.

Talk has started in the City that the £85 million disposal programme, to reduce debts, may have run into problems, undermining the new management's attempts to steer the group to recovery.

Next is believed to be close to selling its property portfolio to Ford Sellar Morris and bas also been looking for a buyer for its Club 24 finance business. It is hoped that both deals will be completed before the group announces its interim figures in October which are expected to show a small loss and a cut in the dividend.

Nick Bubb, a leading retail analyst at Morgan Stanley, the American broker, said: "The talk is rubbish. People are biting each other's arms off to clinch the Club 24 deal. The bears have been getting things all their own way".

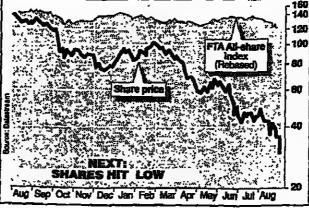
He expects both disposals to be completed in good time and is still looking for pre-tax profits of £10 million for the full year, down from £26 million in 1989. There is every chance that the group will be able to maintain the total dividend for the year.

Mr Bubb remains confident about the future of Next and believes that the disposals will cut debt levels to only 15 per cent of shareholders' funds. He calculates that the breakup value of the group is at least 90p a share.

Meanwhile, the rest of the

equity market showed few signs of the enthusiasm that greeted Tuesday's fall in the oil price. Instead, it spent another anxious day, worried by the latest conflicting re-ports from the Gulf and disappointing overnight performances in both New York Once again, turnover re-

mained at low ebb with only 297 million shares traded, just slightly above Tuesday's 281 million - a low for the year. But the FT-SE 100 index managed to claw-back a 16-point fall, helped by vague talk of an early cut in base rates. It ended just 0.4 of a point lower



at 2,125.7. The FT index of 30 Japanese retailing group, is shares rose 1.5 to 1,658.9. paying almost £30 million for Government securities a 15 per cent holding in the closed narrowly mixed after company and is also taking a

Talk in Dublin claims Larry Goodman, the Irish businessman, is meeting Garry Weston, AB Foods' chairman, tomorrow to discuss the sale of Mr Goodman's 11.08 per cent holding in Berisford to reduce debts totalling Ir£650 million (£578 million). AB Foods also holds 22.9 per cent of Berisford, but sources close to Mr Weston say he has no plans to meet Mr Goodman. Tate & Lyle has abandoned its plans to bid for Berisford, which closed unchanged at 46p.

mark-downs of about £14 at 48 per cent stake in its American operation for £9 Laura Ashley, the troubled million. The two companies soft furnishings retailer, jumpalready have a joint venture in ed 18p to 67p. Acon, the Japan. The deal is expected to

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by £11 million to £39 million. Ladbroke, the hotels, leisure and property group, produced interim figures virtually in line with market expectations.

Pre-tax profits rose from £141.2 million to £158.2 million with earnings a share 2.3p better at 13.07p. The group is also selling the Olympia Hilton and Regents Park Hilton in London in a £200 million deal that marks the first step in a selective disposal plan.

The proceeds will be used to finance the expansion of the 146-strong hotel chain and reduce gearing. Last night, some analysts were trimming their previous forecast of £350 million for the full year, leaving the shares 5p lower at

274p.
The interim figures from Cadhury Schweppes showed pre-tax profits rising from £93.9 million to £104.7 million. The shares responded with a gain of 6p to 324p. Sir Adrian Cadbury, the chair-man, said that all last year's acquisitions were making

estisfactory progress Shareholders in Polly Peck continued to watch the price hit new lows, falling 16p to 264p, after briefly touching 243p. Last week, the Stock Exchange issued a highly critical report about chairman Asil Nadir's proposals to make a bid for the company that never materialised.

The Stock Exchange's findings have now been passed to the Department of Trade and

developer, tumbled a further 74p to a low of 99p in the wake two days alone, The speculators had been

hoping for an offer of at least 300p a share and have been calling for an inquiry into the dramatic fall in the price The news from Speyhawk

MICHAEL CLARK

Attack on Korea's Scotch tax cut

By DEREK HARRIS INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE Scotch Whisky Associ-ation has rejected as "totally inadequate" proposed liquor tax changes that would cut the retail price of imported Scotch whisky in South Korea.

Whisky makers, who have been locked in a long-running battle with Seoul over tax and duty barriers, regard South Korea as a potentially Incrative market if tax and duty barriers are reduced.

Last year, Scotch exports to South Korea were worth £19.2 million, putting the country in sixteenth place among export markets for Scotch.

Seoul's finance ministry is proposing to cut liquor tax on Scotch from 200 per cent to 150 per cent.

This would put it on a par with imported brandies. However, there appears to be no move to change import duties for Scotch, which currently stand at 50 per cent against only 30 per cent for

Scouch, which currently sells in South Korea for £25 a bottle, is at a big price disadvantage in comparison with locally produced mix-tures of bulk malt whisky and

Other spirits. These whiskies and spirits will see tax reduced from 100 per cent to 80 per cent.

Locally produced some, a rice-based drink that accounts for 97 per cent of the spirits market, will still be taxed at 35 per cent. Bill Bewsher, the whisky

of Tuesday's news that the bid association's director general, talks with Nordstjernan, the said: "Although we have yet to Swedish property group that is see the full details, the proa 5 per cent shareholder, had posses fall very far short of the broken down. The shares have sundamental restructuring of now fallen 164p in the past the tax system accessary to remove discrimination against Scoock whisky."

He added: "The British government and the European Commission west move swiftly to convince the South Korean government that this shie and to secure fair tax treatment for Scotch whisky in this potentially enormous

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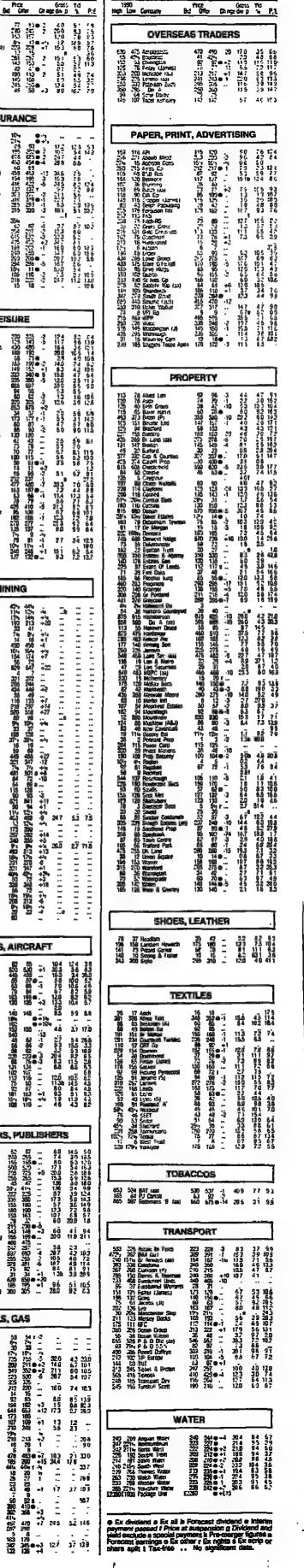
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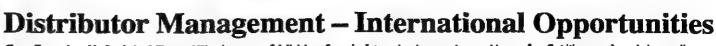
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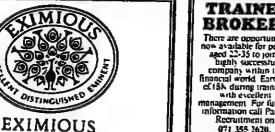
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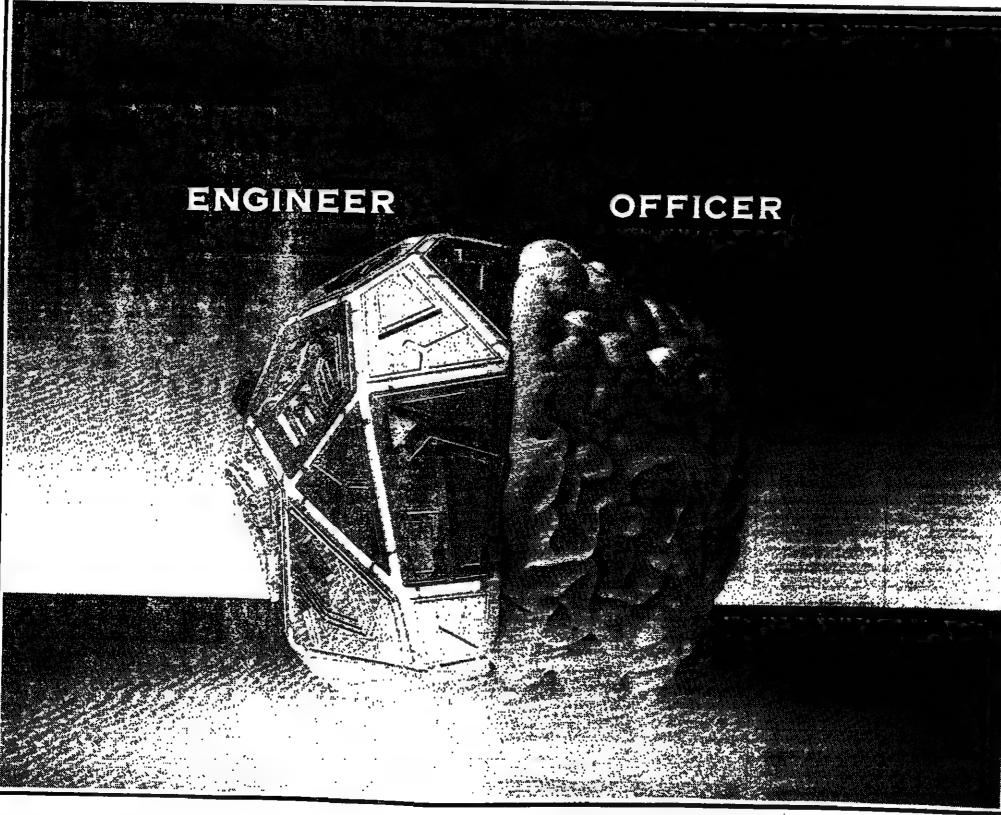
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The lists are compiled from the Campus 2000 educational database service. The information has been supplied by the Universities Central Council on Admissions (UCCA) and the Polytechnics Central Admissions System (PCAS). The figures in brackets indicate the course code used by UCCA and will assist students in determining whether the course is similar to their original choice. The number in brackets next to the university name indicates the minimum acceptable grades, expressed as points, that will be considered.

points. A maximum of 3 'A' Levels is counted. point. SCE Higher Examinations: all universities

Highers, but the minimum grades required cannot be readily expressed in simple arithmetical scores. Some of the Polytechnics may offer several courses with different codes all appearing under a particular course title. These courses are modular and will include study in a variety of subjects, one of which is in the title. Applicants should consult their PCAS and UCCA handbooks for more information about the courses offered. It should be noted that many degree courses in Scotland are of 4 years duration. In some areas of study well-qualified candidates may be admitted direct to the second

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Things are looking good for the East German golden girl

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and his contract ends next month. The economic diffi-

fication means that only two of East Germany's 592 athlet-

ics trainers will remain em-

ployed, and Springstein is not

one of them.
"It's very important to me

that Katrin wins," Spring-stein said. The double should

bring the sponsors running.

Krabbe's time on Tuesday, 10.89sec, equalled her fastest and put her two-tenths of a second clear of Silke Möller,

the world champion, Krabbe

had run 10.89sec in Berlin

two years ago, but Springstein

is suspicious of the wind-

reading. "It was given as 1.7, but I think it was more than 2.0," he said. A following

wind of two metres per

second or more renders times

illegal for records.

From David Powell ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

ONE look at Katrin Krabbe and you question what Thomas Springstein is worrying about. "Will I have a job when I get home?" he wonders. He will as long as Krabbe values him as her

There has been Flo-Jo from the United States and Merlene Ottey, from Jamaica, but Krabbe is East Germany's first "glam-athlete", "When I picked her from a group of young athletes, it was for her good proportions," Spring-

He was referring, of course, to her build, which offered potential as a sprinter. But East German athletes have to find their own living now that they do not have state support, and Krabbe will soon discover that there is nothing better than a gold medal hung round a pretty neck. Her commercial value will be higher than the average European champion.

Krabbe, aged 20, has reached the top early. It was only two years ago that she was the junior world champion at 200 metres. Last year. she won the European Cup at Gateshead.

This year only Ottey has beaten her, and now she is sensing a European sprint

Krabbe's times this season have been mostly just over EUROPEAN

The five-week break from the grand prix circuit to concentrate on training, including 16 days at altitude, metres convincingly on Tues-day, no one doubts that evidently sharpened her. She ran 11.10sec into a headwind Krabbe will take the 200 in Zurich upon her return, and 10.99sec in Berlin.

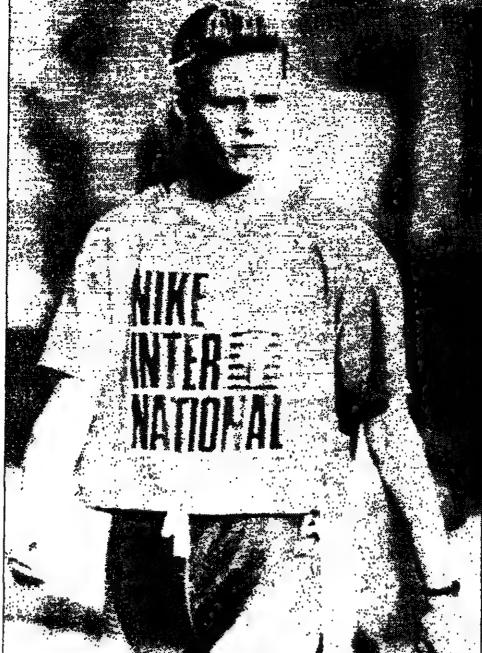
metres today.

That should guarantee The break from the circuit Springstein employment. As a state-appointed coach, he lost is an indication that Krabbe is not motivated by money but his security when Germany first moved towards unity, by medals. The East German championships this year were a pale imitation of those before unification as athletes culties encountered by uniput their pockets first. Krabbe was 16 when

Springstein noticed her, and has worked with her ever since. He expects further improvement once she pumps her arms.

Her start is a powerful weapon. "Sometimes it may look slow, but that is because she is tall [5ft 11/cin]," Springstein said, "In fact, it is very fast. In 1988 she went to 30 metres in 4.16sec. Florence Griffith-Joyner was the fastest with 4.09sec. After this year, there will be

no East German team, but one combining East and West. Gone will be the blue singlet, which means Krabbe will have to change her matching eye make-up. After all, she has to keep up



Moving into the fast lane: Krabbe, climbing the ladder to commercial success

Sinister new threat in war against drugs

Split BLOOD-doping, the practice of supplementing the blood volume of endurance competitors with doses of their own previously-extracted and oxygenated blood, known to be used by Scandinavian run-

ners, now has an undetectable

alternative process of

operation. Despite the detection and conviction of Ben Johnson. the world of sport is as far from winning the war against drugs as ever. That is the alarming news at the second major international athletics championship since the Seoul

Olympic Games. Professor Arnold Beckett, attempting to keep sport and present at the European mine the "extra" amount championships here as a present in any athlete?"

From the director of Bisham Abbey National Sports Centre

Sir. Mr Brookes (August 23)

confirms his knowledge of the history of Bisham Abbey but he

is not correct in his assumption

that any increase in use of the

centre will "ravish this great

It is not unreasonable, nor will it be detrimental to the

sports centre, to let professional.

commercial or community

groups use the unique rooms

and facilities when they are not

required by our elite national

sportsmen and women. Can I assure Mr Brookes and

other readers that maintaining the fabric of the buildings and

the quality of the environment

of the site were paramount

considerations when the Sports Council was preparing the con-

tract for competitive tendering. In fact, it will be my ongoing responsibility to ensure that the

peaceful setting, so attractive

Beyond dispute

United States".

From Mr Patrick Alexander

Sir, Nigel Benn, says the Ameri-

can promoter Bob Arum (August 20), is "the best English fighter ever to come to the

"Ever" is a long time. What about Bob Fitzsimmons for

starters? He never went more than 11st 7lb but knocked out

"Gentleman" Jim Corbett for

the world heavyweight champ-ionship in Nevada, way back in

And a few others since then.

heritage".

Preserving Bisham's heritage

DAVID MILLER

member of the testing commission, is emphatic and pessimistic in his view of the continuing evils that compromise public perception of every competitor, innocent or

"Our biggest problem in the immediate future is the replacement of blood-doping by the injection of artificially manufactured erythropoictin (EPO)." Beckett says. "The increasing use of endogenous substances, those already seforemost among those creted naturally in the body, make our job exceedingly medically clean and honest. difficult. How do we deter-

competition, is preserved when

they are using the centre.
Air Lightbown's comment

that the fitness centre was inadequate for serious-minded

sportsmen is remarkable considering the choice of apparatus

took account of the special requirements of the main

use the centre. The nucleus was

intended to be the weightlifting

area because the national squads

for this sport train at the centre

every weekend.

Two weeks ago the British

Olympic Association held a most successful training camp at

Bisham Abbey for seven Olym-pic sports and Bisham is now

one of the venues being consid-

ered for formal designation as

an Olympic training centre.

Yours faithfully. BEV STEPHENS.

National Sports Centre.

Centre director.

Bisham Abbey

women preparing for a major or Marlow, Buckinghamshire.

EPO, normally produced by guish between natural and the kidneys, increases the artificial EPO, and the levels oxygen-absorption capacity of the red blood cells, and is manufactured exclusively by two companies in the United States and Japan. It is legitimately used for patients with kidney disease, as an alternative to dialysis.

As Beckett says, the blooddoping procedure is complicated, involving the collaboration of doctors, labinevitable that the secret of participating individuals will On the other hand, an athlete can privately inject himself with EPO undetected.

where should we set the limit

for the so-called normal person can vary substantially. including ethnically."

So great is the threat to legitimate competition that the International Skiing Federation has agreed to test the top 200 or so cross-country racers in Nordic skiing every three months in an attempt to limit the abuse. Is the International Amateur Athletics oratories and coaches; and it is Federation willing to do the same? On its past record, on its willingness to reinstate be leaked from time to time. guilty athletes after two years, such as Johnson, this does not seem likely.

Two steps are necessary, "We can measure EPO, but according to Beckett. The first is a government mandate that that is allowable?" Beckett will require manufacturers to asks rhetorically. "As things insert in artificial EPO an stand, we can never distin- inert "marker" agent, free of

Sir. May I plead that the

selectors of England's Test team ignore the calls for a side with

wicketkeeper, and five specialist

bowlers.
Think back to the side for the

Oval Test in 1938 - we had

seven specialist batsmen. The

victorious Australian team of

1989 always had the thought of

Steve Waugh coming in at

A captain with but five bats-

men has of necessity to be on the

defensive from the start. Six batsmen and hopefully a wicketkeeper who can bat (another Les Ames perhaps)

then the captain can be adventurous.

Four bowlers should always be enough and hopefully two

batsmen who can bowl, to take the pressure off them. Such

bowlers should contain, rather than attack, although the Chap-

pell brothers whose batting abil-ity was never in doubt, also

found time to take wickets for

five batsmen.

effect on competitors but in-stantly identifiable. Without government sup-

port, sporting authorities cannot persuade manufacturers to accept the expense of inserting the marking agent. The British Home Office has stalled, for instance, on the request to make possession of anabolic steroids an offence; never mind that it is big business. Swedish customs officials have recently caught a steroid smuggler with 200kg, enough for an entire Olympic team for

The second, and more controversial, step, would be for international sports federations to introduce a legal level of EPO in the blood, for which competitors would have to sign an acceptance form beforehand.

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Porlock.

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Minchead, Somersel

Insult to Indians

From Mrs Margaret Davies

Sir. Was it not arrogant of our

sports writers to keep predicting England's prospects in the forth-

coming cricket tour of Australia as if the Test series with India was merely a jumping-off point, the outcome of which is of no

great importance?

If I were an Indian, and

especially a member of the Indian cricket team, I should

have felt humiliated and angry

entitled to bemoan the loss of

Sir. Your reviewer of Fred

Trueman's Cricket Master-

pieces: Classic Tales from the Pavilion is quite right to contrast

tougher, richer contemporaries

To some extent the past masters

were compensated by having

their deeds recorded by the likes of Sir Neville Cardus and John

4. At least one boundary must

be less than 30 yards from the

Naturally, the team for which I

am occasionally selected fulfils

They should include a

at such arrogance.

West Wickham.

the "good old days".

80 Common Lane,

New Haw, Weybridge, Surrey

Yours faithfully.

11 St Clare Road.

Colchester, Essex.

master or a doctor.

R.J. WILSON,

wicket.

From Mr R.J. Wilson

Yours faithfully.
JAMES W.E. RODLEY,

Yours faithfully. MARGARET DAVIES,

difficult area of civil liberties, Beckett argues that if sport can have weight, age and sex divisions, they can have an EPO-level division.

"Analysis on its own doesn't solve the drugs issue, it only acts as a deterrent" Beckett says. "Random testing [for steroids] has to be much more global ... and unannounced. A maximum of two to three days notice. Orally taken, steroids are only evident in testing for 14 days.

Beckett endorses the view of Sir Arthur Gold, the honorary life president of the European Athletics Association, that competitors have to be either unlucky or stupid to be de-tected positive. "We're always bound to be behind those who are attacking sport's integrity. There will be a time-lag in our counter-attack," Beckett says.

RUGBY UNION

RFU unwilling to limit a player's freedom to move

By David HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ment of players within English club rugby, the Rugby Football Union (RFU) will resist any attempt to restrict the freedom players enjoy. Although it was confirmed yesterday that player-registration would be man-datory for the first time in the new season for all sides involved in the Courage clubs champ-ionship, the RFU has stopped well short of the more severe

French licensing system.

"We allow movement between clubs because that has been traditional in English rugby, but we need to exercise control." Bill Bishop, chairman of the RFU competitions subor the NTO competitions sub-committee, said at Twickenham vesterday at the launch of the fourth season of the Courage clubs championskip. "We are extremely concerned about the movement of players but that is more a matter for the union as a whole if it matter to the union as a whole if it relates to the spirit of

whole if it relates to the spirit of the situation."
Dudley Wood, the RFU secretary, said there were no plans to introduce regulations inhibiting player movement "because they do so for all sorts of reasons. We appreciate that some of those reasons could come within the orbit of the amateur, regulations, which come within the orbit of the amateur regulations, which would be a major concern. If inducements were offered then the RFU would be very concerned and there would be a serious danger for any club found to be involved."

In the 1990-91 season, therefore, all players belonging to the 1.185 clubs involved in the 111 divisions of the championship will be required to complete registration forms which give basic information on the in-

basic information on the individual's background and which club - if any - he has transferred from.

The other important change to the championship, which

DESPITE the growing move- begins on September 22 is the increase in size, to 13 clubs, of the three national divisions and the fourth divisions north and south. Clubs at all levels seek an increase in competitive matches. Bishop said, "so it is anticipated that all leagues will go to 13 clubs each in season 1992-93. That is, after the World

Cup."
Bishop confirmed that the first half of the 1991-92 season had been turned round as a result of the World Cup, in which matches will be played the confirmed to the world Cup. thoughout October 1991 and into the first week of November. At the request of Geoff Cooke. the England team manager, no England squad players will be involved in competitive club rugby during September 1991. Therefore, the ADT di-

visional and county matches will be played in October and the league season will begin on November 16 and run through December. The divisional and county championship matches will also exclude England squad

The first England squad of the season is due to be announced today and will include 32 play-ers to meet at a northern venue over the weekend of September 8 and 9. The culmination will be a game between a XV nominally that of Mike Peary, the RFU president, against Newcastle-Gosforth, who are celebrating

Gosforth, who are celebrating the opening of their new premises at Kingston Park.

Two of the players who went to Argentina may be excluded from the squad. Nigel Redman, the Bath lock, and Gavin Thompson, the Harlequins centre, have both had operations. England's first commitment of the season is the centenary match against the Barbarians at Twickenham on Barbarians at Twickenham on September 29. This will be televised live by the BBC.

Bath insist there is no bad blood

By DAVID HANDS

BATH, the Pilkington Cup have gone," he said. "We are holders, who have lost eight concerned that five players have players during the close season, left Bath for Newport and we are to seek forther information from their departing members about their reasons for leaving England's most successful club of the 1980s. However Clive Howard, the secretary, was at pains yesterday to dispel any thought of bad blood between Bath and Newport, to whom they have lost five of the eight.

Tuesday evening's manage-ment committee meeting dealt. Howard said, with routine man-ters, including the departure of players, five to Newport, two to. Clifton and one to Bristol. "When you look at the players who have gone, while they were all members of the club, it's not

would like to have a cast

too much has been made of the departure of players whose expectancy of sensor rugby at Bath may be limited. The copholders have been joined by Jun Fallou, the Richmond and South-West divisional wing.

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Brighton has plans to stage 1992 Olympiad

A RECORD-breaking English Bridge Union summer meeting at Brighton ended with victory in the Four Stars main event for Steve Barnfield, Marijke van Beesten, Richard Fleet and Bill Pencharz. In a tight finish to the eight-team final, they beat Douglas Smerdon, Dave Macer, Tony Waterlow and Frevor Ward in a head on encounter.

Two hundred and fifty other teams were overcome in the Brighton Bowl by a squad that, until recently, played at junior level: Glyu Liggins, Derek Dyser, Richard Plunkett, and Derek Patterson.

A runaway win for David Shek, Gus Calderwood, Barry Rigal and Peter Czerniewski added to their impressive record. in four of the six previous play-offs for Spring Foursomes regional champions.

Brighton Conference Centre

could now go on to stage the most prestigious of all world championships if Gerald Faulkchampionships if Gerald Faulk-ner, chairman of the British Bridge League, has his way. "I sus between am hoping we can host the 1992 and Europe.

tion," he said, after a fact-finding tour by the WBF president, Denis Howard. However, the visit took place against a background of strained relations between Howard and

the European Bridge League, whose president, José Damiani, will oppose him in the WBF presidential election to be held in Geneva before the world championships begin on Saturday. So upset is the EBL with plans 1992 Olympiad

to move the 1992 Olympiad from Seville without consultation that their delegates might walk out of the meetings, which begin today with other business. The presidential election has been defented elecbusiness. The presidential elec-tion has been deferred until Thursday because of the late arrival of Bobby Wolff, an American delegate. Any walk-out would be unprecedented in the annals of an 80-nation body stabilised until now by consen-sus between the United States

COUNTY AND THE COUNTY

POOTBALL: Screensport 08.30-05.00 and 18.00-19.00; Highlights of the Enscheda tournement, and Augustinian feature. Exempton 20.00-22.00; Praview to the 1950 season.

GOLP: Screenport 15.00-17.00: US PGA highlights from Onio. 628: 15.00-10.00 and 00.30-01.00 (tomorrow): Highlights of the European and US PGA tours.

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 23.00-michight. MOBILE MOTOR SPORTS NEWS: Eurosport 17.30-18.00.

MOTORCYCLING: BSB 14.00-15.00 and 23.00-midnight. Holo bross and On Two

160 TOR SPORT: Streetspart 12.00-15.00, 77.00-18.00 and 19.00-20.00: High-lights. of the European ratherose championship from Belgium, NASCAR Cup from the United States, P3000 from Brands Helet and Indy Cart from Colorato.

POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL:

FUROSPORT NEWS: Euro 19.00 and midnight-01.00. FISHING: BSB 18.30-19.00.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

County Championship 11.0, 110 overs minimum

LEICESTER: Leicestershire v NORTHAMPTON: Northampton-

OTHER MATCH 11.0-6.20 SCARBOROUGH: Michael Parkin-son's XI v Indians

UNDER-19 INTERNATIONAL: Headingley: England v Pakistan

BOWLS: English Bowling Federation national championships (Siegoses); Woof-wich Open (Worthing).

CYCLING: McEwans LA (Notlingham). GOLF: WPG Variety Cub Classic (Calcot Parkt; Wison PGA junior championships Solsdon Park).
POWERBOATING: International week

SPORT ON TV

Screensport 11.00-midday. RACING: 888 13.30-14.00 and 22.00-

MUSBY LEAGUE: Screenuport 07.00-06.30: Highlights of New Zeeland v Australia from Wellington. SPORTSDESK: B85 13.25, 18.00, 19.20, 22.30 and midnight.

SPORTS LETTERS Four bowlers always enough Bradman still From Mr Dennis H. Taylor

From Mr Michael Harrington Sir. It was ridiculous to claim (August 28) that Graham Gooch

In the 1930 series between Australia and England Bradman played seven innings for 974 runs at an average of 139.14 In the two 1990 Test scries, when England played New Zealand and India, Gooch played II innings for 1.058 runs at an

Yours faithfully. MICHAEL HARRINGTON.

Westminster, SW1.

Downes, Freddic Mills, John champion of Nether Wallop on Stracey, Jack "Kid" Berg. Peter Kane, Terry Allen, Jackie Brown, Ted "Kid" Lewis. If Mr Arum had said "British" we could include Welsh-man Jimmy Wilde. Scotsmen Benny Lynch and Jim Watt, and a good few more, no doubt.

The real point about the above is that they were all undisputed world champions.

not merely holders of some debased version of the title. Of course it's not Nigel Benn's fault that he's only the WBO champion, but as a litle it's not a like Randolph Turpin, Terry lot more impressive than being Surrey.

at the top

had in some way "beaten" Don Bradman by scoring more Test runs this summer than Bradman did in 1930.

average of 96.18.

To have equalled "the Don" overall Gooch would have had to score in excess of 1,530 over 11 innings. Gooch has had a great summer, but he has not beaten Bradman.

101 Lillington Gardens.

True, he's knocked over a lot of people, most of them eminently forgettable, but where are the big names, apart from the ageing Doug de Witt and the one-eyed fran Barkley?

If he wants to be a real champion he should have a go at John Mugabe or Mike

PATRICK ALEXANDER. 2 Worcester Gardens. Worcester Park,

Our bowling today both at Test and county level is weak and selecting five such bowlers

The good old days From Mr James W.E. Rodley Sir. It may well be true, as Simon Bames suggests, that the "sour comments" [of Fred Trueman] on Radio 3 have become a national joke" (August 24) but I fear it is unwise to dismiss them as the rambleses dismiss them as the ramblings of a "bitter old pro".

The barrage of short-pitched bowling and surfeit of one-day games alluded to by Barnes have not only changed cricket, but in reality created a new sport, a ghastly cross between rollerball" and American football, played out for the benefit of satellite television companies. It is not the game enjoyed by Trueman or his contemporaries. and whilst we continue to pretend that it is. Fred Trueman (or indeed anyone) is quite

Village cricket

From Mr Robert Roine Sir. The recent village cricket 5. At least one player from each final, fought out at Lord's team should be employed lo-treport, August 27), seemed to cally as either a blacksmith me to be played with great (usually batting No. 7 with a professionalism by two excep- gigantic bat), a farmer, a posttionally talented sides - in my view so far removed from the traditional picture of the village son combination in one or both

game that I thought it about

time to invent some "village

Here are a few suggestions:

1. At least one of the umpires must be a player from the ROBERT ROME. cricket" rules. all of these requirements.

balling team.

2. There should be at least one player aged over 50 and one under 18 in each side.

3. The teams may if they wish convene in the pub before the came but absolutely pure the came but absolutely pure the Dunsfold, Surrey. Sports Letters may be sent by fax to 071-782 5046. game but absolutely must do so after it. daytime telephone number

Play was not disturbed it undoubtedly is, a balanced attack should be more successful

than an unbalanced attack. Sir, Louise Taylor reports (August 27): "The most serious disturbance was at Ipswich Town where dozens of Sheffield Picking a side containing bowlers who operate differently one to the other is not in itself an answer to mediocrity.

arrival of substantially more Sheffield Wednesday supporters than had been expected, the standing areas which had been silocated to them were insufficient to hold the numbers involved. This situation was not

the gates or by climbing the low fence. At no time did the fans encroach on the playing area and play was never held up. The the cricketers of old with their fans were moved in small groups to available space elsewhere in the ground without any trouble. At all times the fans were cheerful and well behaved and so far as I am aware there were no arrests

Sir. Nothing revealed the weak-ness of ITV's claim to cover Barclays League football more than their offering on the open-ing day of the season.

football that they have their micrests at heart. Yours sincerely, DEREK LEWIS 4 Campbell Road, W7.

the police did not follow their policy, as then there might well have been a disturbance.

When the police realised that standing pens were dangerously full they told a number of Wednesday fans to get out on to the edge of the pitch. This they did, either by passing through

Yours sincerely, J.A.A. KERRICH, 69 Cloudesley Road, NI.

it has been for years, yet the programmers could not even find space for "goals of the day". The best they could offer was camera at Tottenham v Manchester City for a shot on

From Mr J.A.A. Kerrich

Wednesday supporters scaled the fencing . . . There was no disturbance and scaling implies a stockade rather than the low fence there was.
The facts are these. Due to the

improved by the police policy of trying to prevent Wednesday supporters from buying tickets for the seating except in the inadequate area provided.

I know this since it was with the greatest difficulty that I was

the greatest difficulty that I was able to purchase seat tickets for my group of friends. Indeed I was told that if we and anyone else in the stand were found to be Wednesday supporters we would be put out. As two thirds of the spectators in that part of the stand were Wednesday supporters, it was fortunate that

Interest neglected From Mr Derek Lewis

(usually batting No. 7 with a Interest in the game - after the World Cup - is higher than 6. There should be a father and

> the news showing only Spurs' goals. Later in the season ITV will produce the usual hype to try to convince the followers of

BASEBALL: Screensport 19.00-11.00 and 20.50-21.00: Major langua and the League highlighes from the United Santes. BOUNG: Screensport 21.00-22.30: Pro-leasional oversity from the United Sense.

11.0, 104 overs minimum EDGBASTON: Warwickshine v Sri Britannic Assurance

CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Derbyshire BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v BLACKPOOL: Lancastine v Surrey

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Wordestershire

OTHER SPORT

(Guernery).
SPEEDWAT: (7:30): National League:
Arena Essex v Stoke: Middlesbrough v
Long Eston. Tee Mill Knock-out Cur:
Semi-final, second leg: (pewich v Poole.

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ATHLETICS: Emispert : 98.00-11.30, 15.00-17.30 and 19.00-20.06, 8sc2: 18.00-20.20, 107 20.35-23.35 and 88C1 22.50-23.30 converge and highlights of the European Championships from Spit.

TCHMES: Surceport 12.00-15.00: 18gh-lights of the Tourrement of Chempions from New York, 1888-15.00-18.00 and 20.00-22.00: 14ghilights of the US. Open from New York, TERPIN BOWLING: Screensport 28.00-

BURGHLEY PREVIEW – A look at this year's course, timetable and

Also New World Champion Blyth Tait and National Champion Mary Thomson talk about how their own horses will go.

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Promising Obligation can give Harwood repeat win

races on the Surrey track this

season, most recently by the

clearly useful three-year-old

Earlier in the programme,

Green's Seago (3.0) could be

another winner for Akehurst,

especially if he turns out to be

another performer who

thrives on a change of scenery

His four races so far have

been for Richard Hannon for

whom that third in a nursery,

won by Rue Du Cirque at

Yarmouth last month, could

well prove good enough to win

As far as the Advertising

Stewards' Cup winner Very

The way that he had

and different routine.

today's seller.

Ruscino.

(MICHAEL PHILLIPS)

FOLLOWING Robellation's victory in the corresponding Tapatch would appear to give looks poised to give the Joli's Princess on these terms. Pulborough trainer Guy Harwood bis second successive strike in the Thermalite Graduation Stakes at Lingfied Park today, and he is my nap.

When he made his race-course debut at Sandown Park five weeks ago this relatively inexpensive American-bred colt was beaten the narrowest of margins by the more experienced Tapatch, having looked certain to score as he led on the bit with a furlong to go.

In that event the first two were well clear of the third horse Daswaki, who went on to finish considerably closer behind Bold Bostonian and Subtle Change at Salisbury

It was to the same Wiltshire track that Tapatch was also despatched for his next race and although he did not win he did not let the form down by finsihing a creditable Handicap. Now I expect the

When Fraar won his only race so far, at Ascot in June, he

was receiving weight from the previous winners in the field. Today, he must gave weight away and I doubt him being able to concede 71b to Obligation even though his Ascot form, has ostensibly been boosted by the subsequent achievements of the third

horse Flying Brave.

My reason for distrusting that line of argument is the knowledge that Flying Brave was almost pulled out of the race because the going was considered to be 100 soft. Eventually, he was allowed to take his chance but he did

Bureau Nursery is concerned. not look nearly so effective as I like nothing better than the he has done since when he has top weight Sir Bancroft who, being a full brother to the 1989 been racing on the firm ground he clearly relishes. Last year, Reg Akehurst Adjacent, could well have saddled Storm Force to win found seven furlongs a shade the Cementone-Beaver too far at Goodwood last time.

fourth behind Les Animaux same trainer, who is now stormed home at the end of Nuages, Joli's Princess and based Whitcombe Manor in five furlongs at Pontefract the Dorset, to continue his fine time before also suggests that run by winning the same race today's easy six furlongs with Secret Four, who has should suit him admirably. twice been caught in the last stride when contesting similar

On the jumping front at Worcester, I give John Webber's triple course winner Bel Course an excellent chance of improving his record on the Midlands track following Hiram B Birdbath's easy win at Southwell on

Finally, Mr Feathers, who had a race at Bangor at his mercy on the first day of the current jumping season when he unscated his rider at the last fence, is taken to give Steve Smith Eccles another winning ride in the Droitwich Handicap Chase at the expense of Full Strength.

• Mandarin landed his nap Susanna's Secret (6-4) at Redcar yesterday, and also gave the first four winners at Newton Abbot. Our Newmarket Correspondent was in good form at Brighton, selecting four winners including his nap Cedrela (9-4).

3.30 THERMALITE GRADUATION STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,640: 71) (13 runners)

BETTING: 2-1 Obligation, 11-4 Fraar, 4-1 Joli's Princess, 8-1 Beauchemp Fizz, 12-1 Punch N'Run, 18-1 Tanifrion Bay, Clear Leader, 20-1 others.

FORM FOCUS FRAAR steyed on wall to best Dokidne or Tanesch at Sandown (7t, good to firm) with Oyston on Ascot (Si, good to soft) debut in June with the useful Flying Brave 2 3rd.

JOLI'S PRINCESS, successful at Brighton (Si, firm) and Window (Si, firm), ran up to best when % 2 rd to Les Animaux Nusges at Salesbury (7t, good) istest. Derweich KATHS CHOICE (May 1, 10,000 gre) is by BEAUCHAMP FIZZ (losled April 2S) is by Jamood and half-brother to 7t winner Beauchamp Dream.

OBLIGATION headed close home when short head.

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SETTRICE 4-1 Almaginto, 9-2 Transitional, 6-1 Beaucadesu, 7-1 King Of Milesn, 8-1 Royal Verse para, 10-1 Secret Four, 12-1 It's The Pits, 14-1 others.

FORM FOCUS TRANSITIONAL made most to defeat hundred with process of the process o

4.30 EXPANDED METAL COMPANY MAIDEN (3-Y-O: \$2,060: 71) (10 runners)

STANK KARETTA 75 (Lord Cheisse) H Candy 8-8.

GS DAME D'AMOUR 12 (A Bader) C Wall 8-9.

DANCE MOVE (M.A.Maktoum) A Sood 8-8.

RED PORBATION (H MCCEMON) W Jarvis 8-9.

G000 WALAYAN 32 (H Al-Maktoum) C Benetead 8-9.

5.0 JOHN CARR JOINERY HANDICAP (£2,847: 6f) (16 runners)

B00600 COX CREEK 68 (8F) P Sonney P Mitchell 9-0 A Cont.

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OS JRISH DITTY ST (K Abdulla) J Costen 9-0 L Deather

6-55 SHORT STRAW 17 (Anglo Thoroughbrid Racing) R Hampon 9-0 B Rouse

BETTING: 5-2 Derne D'Amour, 7-2 Dence Move, 4-1 Irish Ditty, 7-1 Short Straw, 8-1 Cox Creek, 10-1 Anna Karleda, 12-1 Red Formation, 14-1 others.

FORM FOCUS COX CREEK has faced and tasks. In handlesps since 7% of the Jeweb in malden event over course and distance (good to firm) in May with WALAYAM (same terms) 3% 7th.

HISH DITTY one-paced firms 2 when 5% 5th of 11 to Coolino on letest-start in a Casterick melden (7%, good). SHORT STRAW weekened firms furious within the cooling of the course and distance (good to firm) intest. DANCE MOVE by Shareef Dancer out of Repide Peed, winner of a 7% group I to Coolino on letest-start in a Casterick melden (7%, good). SHORT STRAW weekened firms furiong when

4.0 CEMENTONE-BEAVER HANDICAP (£3,720: 1m 2f) (11 runners)

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Moore ban

GARY Moore yesterday re-signed himself to his seven-year world-wide riding ban for bet-ting-related offences after an Italian tribunal, based in Lazio, ruled against a petition that could, at least temporarily, have salvaged the career of the former champion jockey of France and Hong Kong Moore's lawyer. Angelo

Pettinari, hoped that the tri-bunal would rule that the ban, imposed by the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club, would be declared unlawful in Italy, due to the different status of the two

governing bodies.

Speaking from France yesterday, Moore seemed resigned to his fate. "That's it, there are other things in life besides being a jockey and, after winding things up in Europe, I'm off to Australia," he said.

There, however, Moore faces an enquiry into barrier trials he has admitted to riding in Queensland earlier this month, which appear to have technically infringed his suspension. Last night, Pettinari was trying to persuade Moore to launch yet another Italian appeal, this time to a superior court. Still confident of a successful out-come, Pettinari has offered his services to Moore for free.

Blinkered first time LINGFIELD PARK: 3.0 Carreles, 3.30 Maz-

Italy adds weight to Firm ground no obstacle to in-form Prescott

FEW trainers have a smile on their faces when they read that the prevailing going is firm or hard, but one whose team seems to relish such conditions is that pleted a double with Rock Face and Helawe at Brighton

yesterday.
His stable jockey George
Duffield was also successful on Mute Swan, landing a 25-1 treble, and after Rock Face had taken the Rottingdean Handi-cap by seven lengths, giving her trainer an eighth victory at the seaside course this month. Prescon confirmed that the majority of his string acted well on last

going.
"We're supposed to be breeding fast, sound horses so I don't know why trainers of such horses are sometimes penalised by racecourses who water heavily. "Of course, it's been a very

dry summer this year and horses like mine have come into their

disappointing afternoon for the not match strides in the early

champion jockey.

Stages and although Sno SereThe winner is likely to attempt to extend her winning lenges, he was done with in the



Duffield: completed 25-1 Brighton treble

sequence to four under a penalty either in a women riders' race over yesterday's course and distance on Tuesday, or a handicap at Kempton three days

own. But some summers are quite wet. It evens itself out in the long run."

Rock Face, sent past the past the pacemaking lucola three furlongs from home, drew seven lengths clear of Thin Red Line and Pat Eddery to round off a world record holder here, could disappointing afternoon for the

The seven-year-old Helawe joined Prescon earlier in the year and was registering his third win of the season here. "He likes turning courses, and has done well for his owner. Arthur Finn, who has had a difficult year as a fruit farmer so

I hope this has cheered him up."
Prescott said afterwards. Mute Swan made all to beat

Yarra Glen by a hard-fought length in the Lancing Maiden Stakes but Cedrela had a much easier time in the Saddlescombe Maiden Stakes, cruising home by seven lengths from Merdon Dancer, who made up a jot of ground in the closing stages.

Cedrela was William Haggas's seventeenth win of the season, and equalled his previous best total. "He just took off again in the closing stages and stays really well." Michael Hills re-

ported on dismounting. Diaco is not the fastest horse in training but the five-year-old

has a loyal owner in John Good, who paid 7,000 guineas to retain the winner of the Newhaven Selling Handicap. Backed from 12-1 to 6-1,

Diaco strode clear by five lengths to land his first success for three seasons, repaying the patience of his owner, and afterwards Michael Jarvis said the winner might be put over

Saumarez likely to Redcar win change hands again is notable for Carter

SAUMAREZ, the winner of the Grand Prix de Paris and a live improved Kostroma, orea contender for this Sunday's trained by Tommy Stack, and Dermot Weld's Lotus Pool look next best to Splash soon be sold again for the second time this season.

France Elevage, a stallion syndicate concern that has been established to secure good potential stallions to stand in France, is the interested party. Formerly owned by Charles George, in whose colours he finished second in the Dee Stakes at Chester, Saumarez was sold in the early summer to Bruce McNall prior to his runaway Grand Prix de Paris success. Steve Cauthen has been

booked by his trainer Nicholas Clement to ride Saumarez at Phoenix Park on Sunday. The Dublin bookmaker Alan Tuthill makes Saumarez 3-1 joint-favourite with the Juddmonte International run-per-up Elmasmul for the tenfuriong group one event. Vincent O'Brien's Splash Of Colour, Old Vic's half-brother

and unbeaten after two races, is Bruce Raymond's mount Batshoof (9-2) is next in the

Tuthill list. Ladbrokes have also issued prices on Sunday's big race. Saumarez is their 2-1 favourite, followed by 3-1 Elmaamul, 4-1 Batshoof and 6-1 Splash Of

Colour.
Only five of the 13 horses initially declared are home-

SAUMAREZ, the winner of the trained Robert Sangster's much Grand Prix de Paris and a live improved Kostroma, bred and Of Colour in the home brigade.

The four-day acceptors are:
Batsnoot, Husyan, Observation Post,
Skeston, Kostroma, Defensive Piay,
Elmaamul, Lotus Pool, Missionary Ridge,
Old Talka River, Sasimarez, Splash Of
colour, Tarwi. ● Coral latest betting on the Arc is 11-4 Salsabil, 5-1 Old Vic, 8-1 Belmez, 12-1 In The Groove, In The Wings, 14-1 Epervier Bleu,

Sanglamore, 16-1 bar. Hills raider has stiff task

The group one Prix du Moulin de Longchamp on Sunday may have a depleted field of five with Pat Eddery's mount, Distant Relative, the only certain British challenger, although Michael Stoute yesterday left the door open for a possible challenge Distant Relative has a tough

assignment as François Boutin confirmed yesterday that he will run his two crack milers Priolo and Linamix, who beat the Barry Hills raider into third place in the Prix Jacques Le Margis. Boutin said: "Both owners

WALLY Carter, the Epsom trainer, landed the fiftieth win-ner of his career when Susanna's Secret, the 6-4 favourite, cap-tured the Tetley Bitter Handicap Redear yesterday. Carter has an excellent record

at this course, having scored with seven of his 20 runners, and Susanna's Secret, who joined Carter only three months ago and landed a gamble at Folkestone last week, easily coped with the 6ib penalty he shouldered for that victory.

Reg Hollinshead's apprentices Tony Garth and Gary Hind had mixed fortunes in the

opener. Garth, aged 20, rode the first winner of his career on Nipotina, but Hind picked up a two-day suspension (September 7 and 8), for hitting his mount Rudda Cass down the shoulder. Nipotina, a well-backed 5-2 favourite, from 7-2, came from off the pace to lead over a furlong out and beat Sunflower Seed with something to spare. Garth said: "I have had over 40 rides and thought that this one

Frankie Dettori, who completed his first century of winners in a season at Chepstow on Monday, partnered top weight Letsbeonestaboutit, trained by Norma Macauley, to a comfortable success in the Yorkshire Television Handicap.

had a good change of giving me

Durkhan pick of Cumani's team

DURKHAN, trained by Luca Cumani, is 16-1 favourite with the sponsors for the William Hill Cambridgeshire at Newmarket on October 6. The three-year-old, an emphatic winner of a Newmarket maiden last month, was allotted 6st 13th Messag Pad 3-9.6 a Newmarket maiden last month, was allotted 8st 13lb when the weights were published yesterday,
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Candy's Gulmarg, the winner of the Midlands Cambridgeshire at

Wolverhampton on Monday, heading the market at 16-1. Durkhan is one of six sharing a 20-1 quote. St Leger acceptors

THERE are 20 acceptors for the THERE are 20 acceptors for the St Leger at Doncaster on September 15: Blue Stag, Camilik, Great Marquess, Hajade, Hellenic, Karinga Bay, Kasayid, Le Streghe, Mesleh, Mukddaam, My Lord, Nataraya, Parting Moment, Pier Damiani, River God, River Rhythm, Royal Standard, Rubicund, Snurge, Witness Box.

CSF: £18.65.

4.45 (1m 4f) 1, ROCK FACE (G Duffield, 5-2 feyr, 2, This Red Line (Pat Eddery, 9-2): 3, Photos Call (J Red. 9-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 incols (40h, 9-2 Surest Rose (5th), 9 Easy Time, 12 They All Forgot Me (6th), 100 Taywen. 8 ran. 7, 1, 6, 5, 4, M Prescott. Tote: £5.90, £1.50, £1.70, £3.50.

Pf: £5.80, CSF: £13.47. Tricast: £77.82.

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2.0 (Im 3f) 1, NIPOTRIA (A Gerth, 5-2 tav); 2, Sunflower Seed (D Harnson, 9-2); 3, The Heaty (S Malchey, 6-1), ALSO RAN; 9-2 Sen Roque (Stil), 7 Pedova (Stil), 8

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2.45 (3m zł 100yd ch) 1. Tuślonzegrang (Evans tav); 2, Major Tom (8-1); 3, Ne-Game (100-30), 4 ran. 30t, 3l, P Hobbs Tota; £1.50, DF: £3.40, CSF: £7.09.

3.15 (2m 150yd hdle) 1, Bright Sapphiri (A David, 9-4 fav); 2, Baby Boy (5-2); 3 Glencoramon (13-2), 5 ran. 151, 51, D Bur-chell, Toss: £3.20; £1.50, £1.50, DF: £4.00. CSF: £7.85. Winner bought in tos 3.250gms.

3.45 (2m 5f 110yd hde) 1, Donne De Lego (R Durwoody, 7-4); 2, Tarum (7-2) 3, Master Butler (20-1), 5 ran, NR: That NGS, 61, 30, 51, T. Casey, Tota: 22-50 21.50, 21.80, DF: 24.60, CSF: 27.77.

A.15 (3m 21 100yd ch) 1, Temberry Denne (A Webb, 15-8 fav); 2, Tegmoun Chaudour (10-1) 7 ran (Onlt two linished). 251. T Hallott. Tota: 52,40; 21,80, 25,80. DF: 225,90, CSF: £17.91,

4.45 (2m 5f 110yd hdie) 1, South Sends (P Scudenore, 5-4 fav); 2, hycharch (9-2); 3, Winters HB (7-4), 10 ran, 151, 12t, M Pipe, Tote: 22.40; 21.30, £1.40, £1.50, DF; £6.60, CSF: £7.45.

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Results from yesterday's three meetings Rudda Cass, 14 Theotric (4th). 7 ran. 2, 1%1, 2, 1%1, 4. R Hollanshead at Upper Longdon. Tota: £3.70; £1.80, £2.00. DF: £8.50. CSF: £12.62. Going: Irm 2.15 (6) 1. BERKELEY HILL BOY (TOXIM, 5-1); 2. Smeles (Pat Eddery, 5-4 tavt; 3. Babicos (G Duffield, 3-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Henry William (4th), 14 Magnetiza (5th), 40 Sungrove Pride (6th), 5 mar. 4), 3, 4, 3, 10. H. Akshurst at Wintpombe. Tote: e5.50; 22.10, 5.10. DF: 24.30, CSF: 21.08. NR: 50 Long Boys. 245 (7) 1. CEDRELA (M Hills, 9-4 is-law; 2. Chr. Newmarket Companyondert's nath; 2. Merdon Dancer (J Reid, 7-1); 3. Missy Goddiesa (A Murro, 6-1), ALSO RAN: 9-4 js-law Colombian Gold (5th), 12 Jamestown Boy, 14 Sersonald, 40 Fast Run (4th), Ele-Gorrie (8th), Flying Deer, Lady Poly, 10 ran. 7, 34, Ind. 134, 15. W Haggas at Newmarket. Tote: E3.10; 21.30, 22.10, 21.90. DF: 210.40, CSF: 516.10. 3.15 (1m) 1. DIACO (A Murro, 6-1); 2. 2.15 (2m 150yd ch) 1, Pantechnicon (S Earle, S-4 tay); 7, Allied Newcastie (11.4); 3, Acciaim (6-1), 5 ran, NRI: High trrp. 25, 20, A Barrow, Totes 22.10; 21.40, 21.30, DF: 24.00, CSF: 25.00.

2.30 (im 2) 1, GHADSBAAN (Kim Trikler, 8-11 fav); 2. Nigh Water (J. Ferning, 10-1); 3. Knave Of Cluba (K. Darley, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Kramira Guard (Sin), 9 Mystery Band, 12 Uncle Bobby, 16 Hicklant Mitte (4th), 20 Shikari Kd (Sin), Redshaw Queen, 25 Okypous, 50 Mallyan, 11 ran. 2%, 3. Kl, 7l, 2. N Tabler at Malton, Total 2.1-80, E1.30, E3.90, £3.00. DF: £8.90. CSF: £10.28. Atter a stewards' enquiry, result stands. After a steward's enquiry, resent status.

3.0 (71) 1, SUSANNA'S SECRET (G. Garter, 6-4 (ay; Mandarin's nay); 2, Super Benz (J. Fanning, 7-1); 3, Master Offthe House (K. Darloy, 8-1), ALSO RAN: 11-2 Virtiage Type (8th), 15-2 Gott's Desire (4th), 6 Air tillegiticarina, 10 Johtst (5th), 12 Hickory Wing, 20 Windestum, 9 ran, NR: Lust Of Love, 14, 17-1, sh hd, 2, 27-1, W. Carfer at Epsom, Tote; 52-46; £1-50, £2-50, £1-80, DF: £1-21-0, CSF: £1-23, Tricast £62-90. 21.90. DF: 210.40. CSF: 216.10.

3.15 (1m) 1. DIACO (A Munro, 6-1); 2. Rackins Maid (7 Lung, 11-2); 3. Juneouss (T Thompson, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Sherp N' Ensy, 7 Tuilight Farmasy, 8 Future Gambie. 9 Pleasure Aheed (5m), 14 Regins Royate, Dancer's First. April Cracker. 16 Bellwich; (6th). Victorious Prince (4th), Belinda's Boy, 33 Mohn. 14 ran. NR: My Tei-Pan. 51. Vi. X, II, X, II Junes at Novemarket. Tota: 29.00; 22.60, 22.10, £3.20. DF: 229.00. CSF: 242.60. Trickst: £251.58. Witner bought in for 7.000grs.

3.30 (8) 1, LETSBEONZBTABOUTT (L. Detton, 5-1); 2, Le Beile Vie (G. Carrer, 3-1 tay; 3, Ayodesse (R.P. Bisct. 14-1), ALSO RAN: 7-2 Bernstein Beile (8th), 11-2 Break Loose, 7 Too Eager, 8 Amron, Dalesade Ladypied (5th), 14 Derusselam (4th), 33 Celationda Darre, 10 ran. 13/1, 13/1, ni., 2!, nix. Mrs. N. Macastey at Metton Mowbray, Tose: 55.50; 22.20, 21.10, 26.20, DF: £7.20, CSF: £25.17. Tricast: £232.38. After a stewards' enqury, result stood.

Tricast: 2251-58. Winner bought in to 7,000ges.

3.45 (7f) 1, MBLAWE (C Duffield, 7-1): 2, Love Prince (Date Gibson, 18-1); 3, Sine Sereands (Pat Eddery, 9-4 fay). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Al-Torlanan (Sh), Suprema Dancer (Sh), 6 Smokey Native (4th), 15-2 Amothystine, 16 Hardsharoine, 8 ran. 14, 16, 11. M Pressort: Tone: 27.40; E1.50, E4.20, E1.40, DF: E51.50, CSF: 2299.49.

4.15 (1m 2) 1, MUTE SWAN (G Duffield, 7-2); 2, Yerra Gibso (J Reid, 5-1); 3, Simply Spim (J Williams, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 6-5 fav Najmah (4th), 5 Tiger Cub (5th), 33 Treben (6th), 68 Henri Le Comp. 7 ran. 11, 11, 10, 11, 21. J Gooden at Newmarkst. Tota: E6.30; E2.40, E2.30. DF: £10.80. CSF: £18.65.

4.45 (1m 4f) 1, ROCK FACE (G Duffield, 4.45 (1m 4f) 1, ROCK FACE (G Duffield,

\$1.20. CSF: \$2.13.

5.0 (Tm) 1. OLIVERS MOLINT (K Darley, 12-1); 2. Critinson Cloud (Kim Tinkler, 10-1); 3. Carnedian Gold (K Fallon, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 3 for Levende (4th), 6 Geby King (6th), Mannon Memories, 8 Minister Times, 9 Engline (5th), 16 Raventurist, 20 Dending Logend, 33 Al Mannies, transparay Plane, Minister Boy, Total Shembles, 14 cm. AR: Harry Pen. Sh hd. hd. nk., 154, 154, T Berron at Mausiby, Total: 227.20; 55.70, 52.00, 54.90. DF: £197.90. CSF: £115.02.



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SELENCIPIE DPARK Selections By Mandarin By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.30 Sir Bancroft 2.30 SIR BANCROFT (nap). 3.00 Green's Seago. 3.30 OBLIGATION (nap). 3.30 Fragr. 4.00 Secret Four: 4.30 Irish Ditty. 5.00 Martinosky. 4.00 Royal Verse. 4.30 Dame D'Amour. 5.00 Spitzabit. By Michael Seely 3.30 Obligation, 4.00 SECRET FOUR (nap), 5.00 Silks Princess. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.30 TEXAN CLAMOUR. Guide to our in-line racecard Receipt number. Draw in braclasts. Sb-liqure form (F - tell. P - puried up. U - unseeted rider. B - brought down. S - stepped up. R - retused. D - dequelified). Horse's name. Days since test curing: J II jumps, F if flat. (B - blinkers. V - visor. H - nood. E - Eyesheick. C - course wither. D - destance winner. CD - course and Hendictoper's rating. Going: firm (good to firm straight) Draw: 5f-7f, high numbers best 2.30 ADVERTISING BUREAU NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,063: 67) (12 runners) WERT ISSN'G BUREAU MUNSERT HANDECAP (2-Y-C: 23, 445 SER BANCROFT 28 (F) (D Price) H Collegridge 9-7.

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DESIZED YOUNG WINISTLER 7 (Cavasier Racing) P Mitchell 8-13.

2020 TEXAN CLAMOUN 16 (8F) (May D STABLES) H Harbort 8-12.

431530 ASLE ST 7 (F) (S ROCK) Mira N Macauley 8-11.

\$18436 CSECURE 3 (D,F) (T Berker) M Usher 8-7.

42003 CHISTORY MELL 19 (K Charlesworth) W Carter 8-6.

24004 BESS POLL 12 (E Leigh-Pernberton) D Arbutinot 8-0.

51 MESSON TIBLES 36 (D,F) (C Cavate) M Usher 7-18.

389855 AURO VIBA 12 (R Krappen) Pet Mitchell 7-7.

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WENDOVER LAITY bent Sare Frais a head in a Goodwood (Sf. good to firm) saler lettest. YOUNG The Westerse 2 out when 8 7th to Hereden at Saisbury (7, good to firm) with ABLE JET (Sto tongs off) 3 9th.

TEXAN CLANOUR short head 2nd to Green's THE-Gpy at Windoor (8t, good to firm) on penultimets. 3.0 M B M FOREST PRODUCTS SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: 92,616: 5f) (20 runners) FORM FOCUS CONTINTENTAL, disappointing since making all to beat Petitesses 2 at Foliastone (54, firm) in July.

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2.15 HARTLEBURY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,520: 2m 2f) (5 runners)

1 904 ROWHERGE SF (L. White) W Perris 4-11-10 S Carrier (7) 1 904 ROWHERGE SF (L. White) W Perris 4-11-10 S Carrier (7) 1 1-94 AMALITA 12 (F) (Mess L. Ryen) M Ryen 4-11-7 J Ryen (5) 3 Pipe 0-3 DYMANIC STAR 19 (89 (West Medends Racing) Group) G Triedine 6-11-5 S Earle 19 (10 Carrier 11) C King) M Chantof 5-11-2 Loste Wespet 14 (King) M Chantof 5-11-2 Loste Wespet 14 (King) M Chantof 5-11-2 Loste Wespet 14 (King) M Chantof 5-11-2 Section (13-8 tay) J O'Shea 4 ran 1982; GLENCOE BOY 6-11-1 P Section (13-8 tay) J O'Shea 4 ran 1982; GLENCOE BOY 6-11-1 P Section (13-8 tay) J O'Shea 4 ran

2.45 REDDITCH CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,184: 2m 4f) (5

1 4P2PF3- SAN OVAC 136 (S.F) (Miss M Telbot) C Brooks 7-11-10 C Dempeny (S)
2 34P10F JAUNTER 108 (CO.F.G.S) (Whitning Commodities Ltd) W Molden 10-11-8 W Indian
3 341/58- THURLESTONE 218 (C.F.) (R Misse) T Forster 7-11-3 J Railian
4 0000FF NEW OUTLOOK 89 (F) (Mrs J Marshall) G Balding 6-10-9 S Foster (S)
5 33246-2 TILLOMAGRANGE 17 (CD.EF.F.) (J Moloney) P Mobbs 11-10-6 C Missed 9
5 33246-2 TILLOMAGRANGE 17 (CD.EF.F.) (J Moloney) P Mobbs 11-10-6 S Foster (S)
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3.15 MALVERN HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,040: 3m) (11 runners)

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The enigmatic masters of the unexpected

mystery inside an enigma. Indian cricket offers yet another convolution of perfect incompre-

Graham Gooch, the England captain, understands cricket as a game in which you work hard, concentrate like smoke, play for the side, accept the hurts and the knocks, and pursue victory with blinkered single-mindedness. Lord knows what he makes of Indian cricket's values.

On the last day of the last Test of the series this week, a day on which India still had a reasonable chance of winning the match and levelling in the series, they went through a series of quite baffling evolutions of policy and tactics. No other Test country in the world would have even considered such moves a possibility.

SIMON BARNES

Azharrudin (later made India's man of the series) was not seen all day. Apparently, he was suffering from a poorly heel, Perhaps he had really been sacked, or canonised who could begin to guess? We were told that Ravi Shastri was standing in for him; Shastri himself seemed unaware of this.

Narendra Hirwani was set to bowl 59 consecutive overs of leg spin, during which he took one wicket for 137 runs. The new ball was not taken: by the time the match was called off, the ball, 154 overs old, must been like a bath sponge. What on earth were they

India's finest moment in the series was Azharrudin's brilliant quixotic beauty, the speed of which catapulted England into a position from which they could, and did, win. It is somehow utterly characteristic of India that the greatest achievements of the cricket team should be self-

But you cannot actually rely on the fragility of the Indian temperament. The following Test was saved by an innings of guts and resolution, and, as a typically Indian touch, its author was aged 17, the splendid Sachin Tendulkar.

Wherever you look in Indian cricket, you find contradiction. The team's frailties, its tendency to collective lack of courage, is understood as a fact throughout the cricketing world. "They don't like it up 'em", as Corporal Jones records for courage in adversity are both Indian. In 1976, India scored the highest ever lastinnings total to win a Test, making 406 to beat the West Indies, of all people. Then we have Sunil Gavaskar scorer of 34 Test centuries, 13 of them against the West

Indian cricket, like India itself. possesses its own logic and pur-sues goals that non-Indians cannot see, marching doggedly out of step to the beat of a drum that no non-Indian can hear. No doubt, to some Indians, Hirwani's 59 overs seem the only possible solution to a problem none of the rest of us knew was there.

Then there is the history of oneday cricket in India. Somehow or other, on a wonderful day at Lord's, they won the World Cup in 1983, something England has this a couple of years later by winning the Benson and Hedges world championship in Australia. I shall not dwell on the humili-

ations. I find them too painful, I love India far 100 much. But India can outdo England every time at the art of plucking defeat from the jaws of victory. It can outdo the world at the art of the unexpected - even unexpected

Every contradiction you could wish for is there. India, the place where time does not matter, has, to the bafflement of the world, fallen under the sway of one-day cricket

Mihir Bose, in his latest book*, explains this in terms of the cosmic forces of Indian impatience. "They all shout 'juidi, juldi', hurry, hurry. All those cries of 'juldi' issue forth from millions of Indian lips, literally every second, forming, as it were, a vast cloud of juldi over the horizon but — and here we have the Indian trick - the cloud casts no shadow ... everybody shouts juldi; no-

body hurries." One-day cricket, he says, also satisfies the Indian delight in tamosho, or festival. Indian festi-vals are about as inscrutable as as New Year's Eve in Trafalgar

And then the politics: politics that would habbergast the Medicis and the Borgias. The least secure job in the world is that of Indian cricket captain: one might as soon be an English professional snow-

Bose writes: "In other countries, such roller-coaster rides, continual destructions of dreams, may have led to neurosis, but Indians, probably the world's greatest opthat around the next corner will emerge a leader who will solve everything, that the next series will, miraculously, conjure up a world-beating cricket team . . In many ways, it is the Indian's continuing faith in the power of the individual to set right every wrong that prevents them go mad when contemplating their

history." Or even their present. Indian cricket offers a tiny, quartercomprehensible clue towards the understanding of the dizzying head-spinning incomprehensibil-ities of India itself. Already, I long for the next series.

*A HISTORY OF INDIAN CRICKET, by Mihir Bose, foreword by Sunil Gavaskar. Published by Andre Deutsch, price £19.95.

Gower's welcome is proof of his place in a nation's hearts

By Alan Lee Cricket Correspondent

evidence that his century at the Oval meant more, to many people, than a Test match Television cameras conducted between fielding calls on his mobile phone and every sight of him had the Bournemouth patrons clasping and clapping their hands, as thrilled for their curlyhaired hero as he was plainly thrilled for himself.

Hampshire's match with minutes old when Gower was called to the crease and, for a compulsive hour, he batted as only he can. The cover drives chiefs in the England dressingvere exquisite, and resounding hooks in an over left the West Indian, Tony Merrick, shaking his head in disbelief. Just to reassure us that he had not forsaken all his vices, however, he was then out to the sort of airy. flat-footed drive he sometimes seems to

purvey out of sheer perversity. That stroke had been offlimits on Tuesday, when Gower batted with disciplined down straight all day, the feet

needed a Gower century more when Gower has needed a which preaches work at the would be a good way to start.

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Derbyshire

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grounds yesterday to further crowds seen for years had been drawn by this drama and their perception of Gower as the good guy triumphing against the odds was apparent in the awaited him, interviews were emotional response to his

Mark Nicholas, Gower's captain at Hampshire, was in the crowd and said yesterday: "It was an extraordinary reaction. People were standing and cheering while others were in tears. Even I had a lump in my throat. It was one Kent was no more than a few of those rare sporting moments which give you goose-

The private thoughts of the room may have been more complex. They would all have been pleased for Gower, because as a man he has no known enemies, but the sudmay have aroused less euhe has doubters and detrac-

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DAVID Gower arrived at the century so urgently himself, expense of flair. He may most genteel of county One of the biggest last-day regard the England team "huddle" as absurd and undignified, judging by his noticeable reluctance to join in at the Oval.

But for their part, Graham Gooch and Micky Stewart have to assess the effect upon others of such an individual. In the Caribbean, they imposed change more easily for Gower's absence. When he came back to the side, Gooch, for one, doubted if his old friend was actually enjoying Gower was happy enough to

be involved again but his distracted air betrayed the fear that it could all be short-term. susceptible to doubts and I have had a few recently," he said yesterday. "This last Test meant a great deal to me because I knew another low den security of his tour place score would give them every excuse to leave me at home phoria, because as a cricketer and who knows whether I could have come back again after that?

Even if only sub-Test team, it has been possible consciously, Gower may feel to sense suspicion on both the remains of a "them and self-denial which not only sides. Gower's comment me" conflict. The manage-revealed the depth of his about being at "a different ment may feel it, too. But as it ambitions but made one won- party" to his team-mates did is now unarguable that Gower more often. The bat came shortage of runs. He had remaining suspicions must be down straight all day, the feet probably found it hard to feel resolved. Gower has to fall in moved rhythmically and the he belonged within a team line with the way the team is ball was seldom hit in the air. whose approach and routines run, like it or not; the manage-There have been a few had altered so much since his ment has to make him feel as occasions when England have days as captain only last year. wanted as his accomplish-Gower is not comfortable ments merit. Inclusion on the desperately but perhaps none with the football mentality tour selection committee



Wells's new sense of responsibilty

LEICESTER (first day of three; Leicestershire won toss): Leicestershire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 290 runs behind Sussex GIVE or take a wicket or two

four wickets down, before declaring.

Alan Wells was the architect with a century of solid craft, accelerating gradually after a cautious start, hitting a six and 14 fours on his way to three figures and sharing in stands of 88 with Greenfield and 91 with Speight; this after Lenham and Hail had opened with a partner-ship of 90 for the first wicket.

Wells was captain of Sussex for the first time — and for some for the first time - and for some time it showed. So seriously did he take his responsibilities that he faced 107 balls before reaching his half-century: slow progress for him with a lightning fast outfield and against a Leicestershire fielding side that contained a number of walking wounded. One of them,

By MARTIN SEARBY

mum batting points with only four wickets down, before declaring.

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blazing sway, snatched two
quick wickets before the close.

George Ferris, the West Indian fast bowler, is not being

tired to take it and he was obliged to use his spinners.

Gough, the Yorkshireman, and Hallett were allowed to settle and were largely antroubled by the same bowlers who had given England such a total disease the start of the

Europeans on the United States tour, and two players chosen by the captain, Nicky Walker.

As things stand today, the line-up would be Trish Johnson, Helen Alfridsson, Diane Barnard and Alison Nicholas (from the European tour), Lisclotte Neumann and Pamela Wright (from the United States tour) and, presumably, Marie-Laure de Lorenzi and Laura Davies on Walker's invitation. Alfridsson and Neumann are Swedes, de

GOLF Ballesteros parts with his caddie

From Patricia Davies

SEVERIANO Ballesteros could not have chosen a better place to make his debut as a family man. Having become a Exther for the first time (his son has been called Baldomero, after Seve's father), Ballesteros today starts the defence of his Ebel European Masters title at Crans-sur-Sierre, at more than 6,000 feet up in the Swiss Alps the perfect venue for man with his head already in

the clouds.

He will have more than one adjustment to make this week, for he and Ian Wright, his caddie for the last two years, have gone their separate ways. There was, they stressed, no animosity, but they both felt it was the right time to part. Wright is working for Steen Tuming, of Denmark, this week. Ballesteros has yet to find a permanent replacement.

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A partnership-renewing acquaintance this week is that of Sandy Lyle and Dave Musgrove. Musgrove, royalties from his book not being enough to keep him in the style to which be would like to be accustomed, was on duty in Düsseldorf last week, although Lyle was having a week off at home, entertaining his two sons from his first marriage. After five days of dealing with Howard Clark, not the easiest of men, Musgrove must welcome a return to the must welcome a return to the easy-going Lyle. Criticised by Ken Schofield,

the Tour's executive director, for missing last week, Lyle was a little hurt by what he saw as the

Card of the course Out 3,455 \$6 his wife, rather angrily pointed out on his behalf: "He has a busy

time coming up and I feel some people think he should be playing in two places at once sometimes. It's not easy to play two tours."

Lyle has only played five times in Europe so far this season and he will be going to Japan in a couple of weeks' time (missing the Lancôme Trophy in Paris, official release or not) and to the United States in October, to play in the Walt Disney tournament, to bring his American tally of events on to American tally of events up to 15. That will give him the option of playing in the States next year, should he so wish.

However, Europe will see him However, Europe will see him this week and next week at the European Open. He is not likely to be invited to the Suntory. World Match Play championship at Wentworth, but he is scheduled to play in the Epson, at St Pierre, followed by the German Masters, at Stuttgart and the Dunhill Cup, at St Andrews. The Volvo Masters, at Vulderrama, will be his last Valderrama, will be his last outing of the year and then, his wife said: "He'll have a nice long break, enjoying the house and trying to get fit."

Plot thickens with cup place at stake

By JOHN HENNESSY

THE Variety Club Celebrity Lorenzi is French, and the rest Classic tournament, under whose umbrella the members of the women's professional golf tour are competing for prizes worth £60,000, carries an important sub-plot, typical of so

of the year.

The goal at Calcot Park over The goal at Calcot Park over the next four days is not only the £7,800 which goes to the winner, but also a place in the inaugural Solheim Cup match against the United States in November. The team will consist of the top four Europeans in the Woolmark Order of Merit on October 7, the two leading October 7, the two leading. Europeans on the United States

are British Dale Reid (£30,433) is a sexious challenger to Nicholas (£30,922) and Barnard (£31,456) in particular after her victory in the Stockholm Open on Sunday. The place of Johnson (£39,370) at the top of the Order of Merit is also under threat from Laurette Maritz, of South Africa នៃវេ ស្ត្រី ខែ ស្ត្រី ស្ត្រី ខេត្ត សំណុំ

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(£34,612).
Not surprisingly, then, there is a strong entry for Calcot Park, with only de Lorenzi missing among the leading players. Corinne Dibsah defends the title, though as an Australian she does not qualify for Europe's Solbeim. Cup team.

The tournament has a strong charity background and the celebrities rallying to the cause include Bruce Forsyth, Henry Cooper, Jimmy Tarbuck, Bobby Charlton and Russ Abbot.

WOOLMARK ORDER OF MERTT: 1, T Johnson (68), £38,370; 2, L Marizz (SA), £34,612; 3, H Affridsson (Swe), £39,164; 4, D Barnard (68), £31,456; 5, A Micholes (68), £39,922; 6, D Field (68), £30,453; 7, M-L de Lorenzi (Fr), £29,706; 8, K Lurer (Ans), £32,867; 9, G Stewart (68), £26,425; 10, C Soules (Fr), £24,763

Brien overtakes weary PGA junior champion

MICHAEL Welch threaded his has won the Worcestershire MICHAEL Weich threaded his way wearily round the Selsdon Park Hotel course at Croydon yesterday in defence of his Wilson PGA junior (under-18) championships. A birdie three at the 18th allowed him to come away with a level-par 73, to be overtaken later by Jon Brien, the Wilshire under-21 champion, by three strokes. by three strokes

The holder of the girls' title, Kari Kibble, was also three shots behind the leader, though less surprisingly. Janice Moodie is the British under-18 is the British under-is strokeplay champion and has been chosen for the full Scottish team for next week's home international tournament at Hunstanton.

Weich's bearing on the course confirms the widely held belief that so many new tournaments have been added to the summer's programme that young muscles and minds are being overstretched. This summer, he

score he has recorded outside his own club, Broome Manor. He had one setback, at the short sixth (193 yards), where he pulled a three-iron, pitched to the fringe and took three punts. the fringe and took three purts.

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Morris offers Madurusinghe shares honours with Moles

HUGH Morris, of Glamorgan, a strong claimant for the position of third opening batsman in Australia this winter, gave a reminder of his qualities in a rain-disrupted day against Derbyshire at Cardiff (Geoffiery Wheeler writer). While his col-Warwickshire won toss): Warwickshire have scored 349 for nine against the Sri Lankans IN THEIR third first-class match of a short but exacting match of a short but exacting tour, the Sri Lankans were again accorded the respect they deserve. Warwickshire, like Glamorgan and Nottinghamshire before them, fielded a strongish and purposeful side, which batted all day in making 349 for nine. Wheeler writes). While his col-leagues struggled against the seam bowlers, Morris, with nine centuries behind him this season, stood firm and was 47 not out as Glamorgan struggled to 349 for nine. shire, England's outstanding player in Australia in four years

Moles was in the vanguard, scoring his fourth century of the season. He, it should be said, had a particular incentive to ago, might well be looking forward to a return visit had he succeed. He has set himself a target of 2,000 runs this season and, having made 1,753 with three first-class matches to come, should achieve it.

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-71, 3-80, 4-85, 5-108, 6-210. KENT: S G Hanks, T R Ward, V J Welle, G R Cowdrey, "N R Taylor, M V Fleming, †S A Marsh, D J M Kolleher, R P Davis, M M Patel, T A Martick.

Bonus points: Hampohire 2, Kent 2. Umpires J H Hams and 8 Hassan.

South Africa. Yesterday's cen-tury against Worcestershire was his eighth of the season and took his eighth of the season and took him past his previous best aggregate, 1.786, made in 1985. Hampshire, still in the run-ning for championship prize-money, lost their first five batsmen for 108 against Kent at Reumenmenth but were rescued His intentions were clear from the outset. Against an attack which rotated from military medium to alluring leg spin, he made just 41 in the morning before timing his cover drives to better effect. In this he was shown the way by Ostler, whose half-century was full of stylish Roumemouth, but were rescued and Tremlett, the second team coach, who put on 102,

EDGBASTON (first day of three; leg-side flicks.

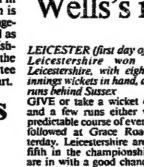
to square leg, it was to Madurusinghe's leg spin. The teenager took four wickets in all in a long spell which boded well for their tour — and their Test — next summer. No batsman mastered him vesterday. tered him yesterday. "We have many potential Tendulkars." Mumtaz Yusuf, the team manager, said. If that is so, they could do with some of

60,000 Sri Lankans in Britain coming to see them. The hope is that many will be at the Oval on Sunday, for a one-day match against Surrey. The most impressive aspect of

When Ostler was out, skying

the Sri Lankan cricket here was their fielding. Wijegunawardene took a particularly fine sprinting catch to dismiss Ostler. After that, Green struck 44 as Moles went inexorably to his century. His 117 took nearly five hours.

Geoff Humpage, the War-wickshire wicketkeeper-bats-man, has announced he will retire from first-class cricket at



and a few runs either way, a predictable course of events was followed at Grace Road yesterday. Leicestershire are lying fifth in the championship and are in with a good chance of a money-making position; Sussex have the wooden spoon staring them in the face.

Accordingly, Briers, upon winning the toss, asked the visitors to bat, sensing that his

best chance lay with a run chase similar to that which brought them victory in the last match against Kent. For their part, Sussex used a placid pitch to cruise steadily along to maxi-

Crawley leads England fightback England plummet to 99 for five before gradually overcoming the his front line bowlers were too HEADINGLEY (second day of four): England Under-19, with one first-innings wicket in hand, are 28 runs behind Pakistan Under-19 seamers Naeem, Ataur and Athar. Crawley batted for four

JOHN Crawley, aged 18. who starts his freshman term at Cambridge University next month, played a resolute inmonth, played a resource innings which proved the cornerstone of England's revival in the
second Under-19 Test match.
The watching Ted Dexter
could not fail to be impressed by
Crawley, younger brother of Crawley, younger brother of Mark of Lancashire and Oxford University. Crawley had seen

and three-quarter hours with intense concentration as Paki-stan chipped away at the other end. Sixty-five overs (at never more than 14 to the hour) had gone by before the left-arm spin of Shahid was introduced. He was immediately successful as Crawley, playing forward, edged, having struck 13 boundaries. Moin, the Pakistan captain, was made to pay a heavy price for his over-use of seam for

torrid time at the start of the innings. A very useful eighth wicket stand took the total to within 31 of Pakistan's 277 and Gough's performance in making a career-best 36 would have been a revelation to his county FALL OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-72, 5-189, 4-252, 5-378.

BOWLING: Sharme 20-3-81-1; Probinicar 4-0-7-0; Wassen 8-1-42-1; Terdulitar 12-1-70-0; Kumble 24-4-103-1; Raman 8-1-44-1; Kapil Dev 0.4-0-2-1. WDIA: First imings
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Tour match World XI v Indians

†D.L. Bairstow, E.A. Moseky, C. Sherren, M. R. Wh'they and C. Pringle did not bet.

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YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Total (2 wkts, 9 overs) ______ 24
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U-19 international England v Pakistan HEADINGLEY (second day of feur): England Under-19, with one first-innings water in hand, are 28 runs benind Pukistan Under-19

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b Ather Rahman
A Bernett & Reshid Mehrmood
b Ather Rahman
J P Crawley & Moin Khan
b Shaind Hussain
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A R Roberts & Shehad Hussain
b Akkar Luseg

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SCARBURIOUGH (first day of three; World XI won toes): The Indigns, with all first-innarge wickets in hand, are 572 runs behind the World XI WORLD XI: First lenings indexes Receive (Kepil Dev 5 Wisesen 29 5 C Greentoge live 5 Sherms 23 ID Richerdson c Prabhekar 5 Kumble 65 IA Harper 54 Mongal 5 Ramen 17 if 3 J Greetbetch not out 168 P R Sleep c Kumble 5 Kepil Dev 25 Endres (b 2: lb 18, nb 15) 5

No play yesterday Hornets' full hand ROCHDALE Hornets, pro-moted to the top division of the

Rugby League, have signed David Gallagher, a forward with the Sydney club, Western Suburbs, to complete their three-man oversess quota. The other imports are another Australian
Bob Grogan, a centre, and Mark
Nixon, a New Zealand international stabad off. Horners
have spent around £250,000 on

Gabbiadini impresses as Tottenham's high-flyer is brought down to earth Gascoigne remains grounded

ing hoarding at Roker Park on tion for Chelsea. Tuesday night, it is possible to

Marshall is doing his best to
fly from NewGazzal — as ensure that Oldham Athletic opposed to Newcastle - air- do not miss out on promotion

port. However, Paul Gas- from the second division coigne's feet were kept firmly again. After scoring his fourth on the turf by the combined

While Gascoigne, fresh from a weekend of opening pizza parlours and reading about his private life in the newspapers, sporadically showed his class, Gabbiadini, the Sunderland forward, in their two first divison proved an even more precocious influence in a frenetic only manage one between encounter which proved enthem at The Dell — and that

hype about honours, and Gunn.
Sunderland are to avoid dropping straight back into the second division.

A division lower, Bull made the first goal for Bellamy and claimed the winner as Wolverare to fulfil the pre-season Rodney Wallace cross past

on target at Anfield — Rush and Beardsley, the latter being preferred to Rosenthal — where Liverpool, the League champions, claimed their second win of the season, 2-0 against Nottingham Forest, without fully extending themselves.

In terms of goals the score at Present Wanderers won 2-1 at Port Vale, a match watched by Graham Taylor, the England manager.

A fine goal by Gayle earned Blackburn Rovers a 2-1 win at home to Hull City, while McLaughlin scored his first goal for Watford to provide them with a 1-1 draw at Present Apple

In terms of goals the score at Selhurst Park, the scene of another capacity crowd, was 2-1, but in the sending-off stakes it finished a 1-1 draw. The guilty men were Andy Gray, of Crystal Palace, and Dennis Wise, Chelsea's £1.6 million summer signing from Wimbledon, who saw red in spent the last 20 minutes of the seventeenth minute after the match, which Chesterfield Wise tackled high, and Gray lost 2-1, in the stand, Wise tackled high, and Gray lost 2-1, in the stand, retaliated with a kick. The In Scotland, Terry Hurlock Palace manager, Steve made an immediate impact

ACCORDING to an advertis- Dorigo claimed a late consola-

on the turt by the combined midfield industry of Brace-well, Owers and Armstrong as Sunderland and Tottenham Hotspur drew 0-0.

Sunderland drive was the former centre-half reverted to his old role to stave off a Leicester equaliser. goal in two games, against Everything duly went according to the Marshall plan, with Ritchie extending Oldham's lead into a 2-0 win.

Norwich City and Southampton, who shared 13 goals meetings last season, could tertaining fare for a capacity was an own goal. Polston, crowd, if not the managers.

Defensively, both teams need to improve if Tottenham from Tottenham fr

There were familiar names hampton Wanderers won 2-1

Coppell, has already said that for Rangers in the wake of his Gray will be fined by his club. £300,000 transfer from Six minutes earlier, Gray Millwall, making the winning had given Palace the lead from goal for Johnston as Rangers the penalty spot. Wright inbeat Kilmaraock 1-0 to reach creased it with a 20-yard chip the quarter-finals of the Skol in the 65th minute, before Cup.



Warm welcome: John Sillett, the Coventry City manager, greets Graham Taylor

Taylor refuses to add more fuel to the media bonfire

By DENNIS SHAW

Leeds earn praise

from Ferguson

vao drew 0-0 at Elland Road on Ferguson welcomed the promotion of Leeds, Sheffield United and Sunderland: "We need teams like them."

need teams like these in the top flight because they are big clubs mosphere to games.
"Visiting Leeds was the worst

the first division this season according to Alex Ferguson, the manager of Manchester United,

away game we could have had, what with the crowd fever and the big occasion of their being back at the top for the first time in eight years. I think there is absolutely no chance of them going down again and in the first five days in the first five days in the first division: "We have already sat quarter of the second half they

Ferguson also commented on the Leeds style of play, which last season was often criticised. "It think they mixed their game very well," he said. "There's a way to get out of the second division and a way to stay in the first and they are not necessarily the season of the second division and a way to stay in the second division and a way to stay in the second division and a way to stay in the second division and a way to say and they are not necessarily the second division and the second division are second division and the second division are second division and the second division are second division and the second division are second division and the second division are second division. LEEDS. United will play an important role in the affairs of

the same."
Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds
manager, called it a "winning
draw" and was clearly relieved
that the tension of the match was over. "It was a big-occasion evening. The place has been buzzing for the last few days with an unbelievable excitement and it's good to get it out of the

two exams and got a pass in both

GRAHAM Taylor, the England manager, revealed the concern he feels about Paul Gascoigne's escalating public profile after officially opening new facilities for Coventry City yesterday. Taylor, who feels that media

and commercial sources are exploiting the Tottenham Hotspur forward's World Cup suc-cess, would prefer to see his name disappear from the head-

Ominously, it was England and Gascoigne which the assem-bled media wanted him to discuss rather than Coventry's £500,000 development of a combined youth hostel and training camp. Asked for his reaction to the almost daily Gascoigne hysteria, Taylor said:
"I am going to be the only who doesn't mention

him. I hope that it might help him that the England manager is not making any public comments about him."

Behind this stance there is clearly an awareness that the talent which could be simply one component in his overall strategy is being hugely inflated in importance. Shortly before his appointment as Bobby Robson's successor, Taylor wrote of Gascoigne: "... he will learn the situations to avoid, those that situations to avoid, those that unscrupulous people will exploit disadvantage.

Taylor said that he would take his first three international matches, covering diverse situa-tions, home and away, to get his routine organised. match with Hungary in Septem- said.

if that were not allowed to continue."

Coventry's handsome new Sky Blue Lodge, at their Rytonon-Dunsmore training ground, accommodates 20 youth players in ten double bedrooms. Had I been opening this as Asion Villa's manager the word to use This period takes in the home would have been envy," Taylor Clough shows Keane interest in Irish prospect

UTSUNOMIYA, Japan (Reuter) - The Soviet Union rode a steady, tactical race to win the 100-kilometre men's amateur team time-trial at the world

championships yesterday.

The United States reached the halfway mark 14 seconds ahead of the Soviet four, but Oleg Galkine, Rouslane Zotov, Igor Patenko and Alexander Markomitchesho gravined cally and Patenko and Alexander Markovnitchenko remained calm and
maintained their pace as their
rivals wilted, finishing in 1hr
56min 50sec.
Earlier, The Netherlands won
the women's 50-kilometre team
time-trial despite being involved in an accident with a
Learnese cyclist on a public mad

Japanese cyclist on a public road shortly before the start. Leon-tien van Moorsel, Monique Knol, Cora Westland and Astrid Schop won in 1hr 3min 51sec. SCRIOP WORL IN THE STREET SECRET.

RESILE TS: Men: Amster 100km team time-triat: 1, Soviet Union (O Galkon, R Zotov, I Patento, A Markovnitchenko), 1hr 56min 50sec; 2, Esst Germany, 1:57:05; 3

West Germany, 1:57:05; 4, France, 1:58:22; 5, Sweden, 1:58:24; 5, Bulgaria, 1:58:28; Women: Amster 50km team time-triat: 1, Netherlands (L van Moorsel, M Knol, C Westland, A Schop), 1hr 3min 51sec; 2, United States, 1:04:07; 3, Soviet Union, 1:04:21; 4, France, 1:05:40; 6, Sweden, 1:06:12; 6, Spain, 1:06:51.

COUNTY MATCHES Beckinghematine 112, Metropolitan Police 105; Suitely 132, Not-linghematine 100.

TENNIS

BOWLS

quick on

the draw

By DAVID RHYS JONES

FEDERATION bowls, tra-

ditionally a two-bowl game, lays the emphasis firmly on drawing skills. Firing is rare, and the rewards for striking scant, because a wood that takes the jack into the ditch is accounted

dead — unlike the toucher in the association game that remains

gard the two-wood singles as the

gart the two-wood singles as the sport's premier championship.
Adrian Holden, of Sweffling White Horse, Suffolk, reached the quarter-finals of the EBF's two-wood singles championship at Skegness yesterday, outlasting Billy Bewick, aged 58, who is 30 years his senior.

years his senior.

Bewick has played in Durham's Liberty Trophy (EIBA) side, and looked every inch the winner when he led 14-6 after 16 ends. Of the next 13 ends, however he was only the

however, he won only two, taking his score to 17 while Holden eased to a 21-17 victory.

engiand 28.

© FRED Darbyshire, of Marine Gardens, and John Holliman, of Worthing Pavilion, qualified for the last 32 of the Woolwich Worthing open tournament singles at Beach House Park yesterday (Gordon Allan writes). Peter Line and lain Mackenzie, both former winners, also came through.

CYCLING

Calm Soviets

take title

as rivals wilt

Holden too Agassi sets a new fashion style with peacock hues for Bewick

From Andrew Longmore, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

THE Wimbledon committee might have to elect a fashion expert in time for next year's championships if the lime-green and black outfit Andre Agassi sported in his opening match at the United States Open is any

The young American, who had promised something outrageous earlier in the year, suggested after his comfortable 64, 6-2, 6-2 victory over the Canadian, Grant Connell, that he nadian, Grant Connell, that he might play Wimbledon next year. But, he added, he will not wear white. His clothiers, Nike, now have the tricky task of reconciling Agassi's tastes with those of the "predominantly white" advocates at the All England Club, which will surely leave a few hairs on a few heads on both sides several shades whiter.

As the stylists at Roland Garros are also considering the

Garros are also considering the adoption of the predominantly white dress code, a thirdy veiled retaliation to Agassi's description of the head of the International Tennis Federation as a "boxo" during the Erench Open "bozo" during the French Open, the grand slams seem to be closing ranks on the issue.

Agassi, however, will always be welcome in the city which invented graffiti. Besides the

fluorescent bicycle shorts, multi-coloured shirt and head-band, Agassi also sported a growth on his chin—to call it a beard would be an insult to all self-respecting pirates — and an ear-ring reportedly of religious significance.

significance.

"My goal is to get my game to "My goal is to get my game to override these clothes — and that's going to take some real good tennis," he said. That could be taken either way, but there was certainly little wrong with Agassi's tennis against Connell once the No. 4 seed had settled into his double-quick stride.

Unlike his countryman, Andrew Sznajder, who gave Aaron Krickstein, the No. 9 seed, a terrible fright on the grandstand court before losing in five sets, Connell, a more sober advertisement for Nike, does not have much steel in his athletic frame. He is a talented serve-and-volleyer, but succumbed rapidly to Agassi's incisive ground strokes in the second and third

els. His clothes apart, Agassi is a real threat here. At the moment, be regards the US Open as his in her book. Huber might just main priority and, having develop into a serious threat to reached the semi-final in the last

Davis Cup five WARREN Jacques, the British captain, has nominated a fiveman squad for the Davis Cup tie against France at Queen's Club, against France at Queen's Club, London, starting on September 21 (Andrew Longmore writes), Jeremy Bates, the British No. 1, will certainly play the two singles on grass, and Mark Petchey, a semi-finalist at Bris-

tol last month, could make his debut ahead of Nick Brown and Danny Sapsford, who made a winning debut against Romania heavy odds to beat the likes of Heari Leconte, Guy Forget and Yannick Noah to gain a place in the world group of the Davis Cup for the first time since 1987.

form well here. The crowd is so alive. They bring out the best in

SQUAD: J Bates, N Brown, A Castle, M Patchey, D Sapstord

ny game."

Now that Agassi has settled his differences with the Davis Cup captain, Tom Gorman, and agreed to play in the semi-final against Austria in September, the locals have adopted him wholehoustedby according wholeheartedly as a replace-ment for the absent Jimmy Connors. If both Agassi and Becker live up to their seedings, their semi-final should be worth

watching.
Surprisingly perhaps, Jennifer Surprisingly pernaps, Jenniter Capriati is not an admirer of Agassi's wardrobe. "I'm not into that on a tennis court, though I'm sure a lot of other teenagers will like it," she said, rather coyly. Capriati had other things to think about during her match with another prodicy. Anke with another prodigy, Anke Huber, of West Germany, who, at the ripe old age of 15 years and nine months is 15 months older than the No. 13 seed. In her first match at the US

Open, Capriati raced to a 4-0 lead, lost the next five games before settling her nerves by winning the first set 7-5 as Huber double-faulted on set

The second was equally close, Huber refusing to be overswed by her junior and a partisan crowd. "I just told myself, 'don't act chicken and you can't lose this'", Capriati said. She did not, taking the match 7-5, 7-5 to become the youngest winner of a beating the record set by Tracy Austin in 1977.

two years, he has proved that his envisaged by the marketing men game is well suited to the on this side of the water. "She's surface. His temperament certainly is. "This is the one I care about most and I always permatch."

RESULTS FROM NEW YORK

LATE RESULTS FROM TUESDAY

FOR THE RECORD

3, 6-3, 7-6.

WOMEN'S SIMOLSS: First round: P
Ferndick (US) bt M Kidoweki (Japan), 6-7,
6-4, 7-5: P Hy (Can) bt L Golerae (t), 6-3,
6-3; L MoNelf (US) bt A Keler (US), 6-4, 6-3;
R McCulitan (Aus) bt L Harvey-Wild
(US), 7-8, 7-5; J Caprast (US) bt A Huber
(WG), 7-5, 7-5; B Paulus (Austra) bt E
Smyle (Aus), 7-5, 6-1; N Tauziet (Fr) bt C
Darliman (Swe), 7-5, 6-2; C Marcinez (So)
bt M Werdel (US), 2-6, 7-5, 6-2; K Rineldi
(US) bt F Labet (Arg), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; Z
Garrison (US) bt B Reinstadler (Austra),
6-1, 6-3; L Gattemenster (Peru) bt M
McGrath (US), 7-5, 6-3; N Sawematsu
(Japan) bt P Terabini (Arg), 6-1, 6-3; J
Wiesnar (Austra) bt M-L Deniels (US), 6-3,
6-1; W Probet (WG) bt A Leand (US), 6-0,
6-2; R Zubetown (Cz) bt T Whitinger
(US), 7-5, 6-2; G Sabetini (Arg) bt K Jordan
(US), 6-1, 6-3; L Ferrando (ti) bt K
Adems (US), 6-1, 6-3; L Forrando (ti) bt K
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Adems (US), 6-1, 6-1; C Lubin (US), 6-0, 6-3; L C Kubinsan (US) bt C Rubin (US), 6-0, 6-3; L K M Mingel (US) bt F
Haumuller (Arg), 6-4, 6-0; N Zvereve
(US) 7-6, 6-2; K Dare Lispani bt C ammy
MacCregor (US), 6-1, 6-3, 6-2; R White
(US) bt D Fabor (US), 6-4, 6-0; A Gavedon
(US) bt D Fabor (US), 6-3, 6-2; R White
(US) bt A Ternesveri (Hun), 4-8, 6-0, 6-2; R

BRIAN Clough, the Nottingham Forest manager, believes he has unearthed a fine prospect in Roy Keane, aged 19, whom he unexpectedly thrust into the first team at Liverpool on Tuesday (Dennis Shaw writes). Clough paid only £20,000 for Keane this summer. The young midfield player was recruited from the League of Ireland club. Cobh Ramblers, having played for the Eire youth side. Clough said: "I'm the last person to get excited after watching a player for 90 minutes in the first team but I don't the small claims court in Black-pool on October 16.

IN BRIEF Boycott threat

THE participation of Arab countries in the Asian Games in Peking next month has been threatened by the political crisis in the Guil. Ten countries are planning to howout the supply planning to boycott the event unless Iraq is banned. The Arab nations, which have

not been named, have de-manded that Iraq is suspended from taking part in international sport. Iraq, however, has an-nounced it will attend the Games, with athletes from Ku-wait competing under the Iraqi flag.
BOXING: The world heavy.

weight champion, James Doug-las, is rated the underdog by American bookmakers for his title defence against Evander Holyfield in Las Vegas on Counter 25 October 25. GOLF: David Harrison, the chairman of the junior golf committee, has been nominated

as next year's president of the English Golf Union. • Several hours of continuous rain resulted in the Welsh under-15 boys' championship at Liandrindod Wells being abandoned yesterday afternoon.
EQUESTRIANISM: The Spanish Riding School in Vienna has been accused of ill-treating its snow-white Lipiz-

in Austrian weekly newspaper. The allegations have been VICROLIGHTING: Britain's 11-strong squad won the team prize at the world championhips in Hungary.

zaner horses during training by

HOCKEY: Paul Barber, who etired from international hockey in 1988, is to assist John Jurst in the management of the ingland team for the match gainst West Germany in the ree nations tournament at scied next Wednesday.

month's contract. Moran could play against Leyton Orient at St Andrews on Saturday. © David Richardson, a Swindon Town supporter for 15 years, is taking the Football League, based in St Annes, to

Richardson wants reimburse-ment for the £83 he spent on watching the club's play-off games against Blackburn Rovers and Sunderland in May. He claims the matches were meaningless because the League later decided to cancel Swin-

But the English women face a tough task against the 1987 champions who have already qualified for the last eight. ENGLAND (from: T Wissensen (Friends of Fulkem); T Davidson (Doncaster Belles), S Law (Millwall Lonesses), C Lambert (Red Star Southempton), J Sherrard (Doncaster Belles), D Bampton, L Waller

don's promotion but were aware of the facts before the play-offs took place.

© England should clinch a place in the quarter-finals of the women's European championship if they beat the qualifying group three leaders, Norway, at Old Trafford on Sunday.

But the English women face a tough task against the 1987 champions who have already qualified for the last eight.

England from the Wolver-hampton Wanderers and England forward, is expected to have recovered from an ankle in time for the game against Brighton on Saturday.

The Peterborough United thairman, John Devaney, has warned drastic action is needed warned drastic action is needed as the club's losses over the past two years near £700,000.

RESULTS FROM SPLIT

First times in each heat and overall four fastest losers quality for some finals GLUAL SPERE: Heat one: 1, J. Rapis (GB), 20.67sec; 2, G. Quenetenve (Fr., 20.67; 3, S. Till (ft.), 20.92; Heat tens: 1, J. C. Trousissi (Fr.), 20.46; 2, O. Fatan (ISSR), 20.55; 3, N. Antonov (Bul), 20.84; 4, P. Sievers; (Ed), 20.76; 5, M. Adem (GB), 20.796; 6, L. Berroso (For), 20.89. Heat times: 1, S. Floris (ft), 20.47; 2, A. Ratmann (Switz), 20.81; 3, L. Christle (GB), 20.85; 4, P. Klein (WG), 20.87.

200 metres

1, T Mokeen (GB), 1:44.76; 2, D Sherpe (GB), 1:45.50; 3, P Plekarski (Pol), 1:45.76; 4, A Sudnik (USSR), 1:45.81; 5, S Popovic (Yug), 1:45.90; 8, T Viali (ii), 1:46.04; 7, G d'Urso (iii), 1:47.29; 8, M Yates (GB), 1:48.42. 400 metres hurdies

1, K Atabusi (GB), 47.92 2. S Nylander (Swe), 48.43; 3, N Wallenfind (Swe), 48.52; 4, V Zadoinov (USSR), 48.61; 5, S Diagena (Fr), 48.92; 6, C Koefribrusck (WG), 48.95; 7, E fit (WG), 49.77; 8, J Alsonao (Sp), 49.83.

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7.95 metres or leading 12 overall quality
for final CUALIFIERS: Peel A: 1, \$ Ergotic (Yug), 7.99; 2, M Forsythe (GS), 7.81; 3, C Thomas (WG), 7.80; 4, C Koulcodinos (G1, 7.99, Peel 8: 1, J Karna (Fn), 8.13 metres; 2, F Mans (Neth), 8.04; 3, D Haal (WG), 8.04; 4, B Bitte (Yug), 8.02; 5, B Tudor (Rom), 8.02; 6, A Hernandez (Sp), 8.00; 7, Y Ratustatov (USSR), 7.93; 8, G Evergelista (10, 7.91; British non-qualifier S Faultner (Hotth in heet two), 7.48.

Women 200 metres

Heats
First four in each heat and overall four tesses losers queltly for same finals CUALIFICIAS. Heat one: 1. K Krabbe (EG), 22 Bracc. 2. A Thomas (WG), 23.21; 3. S Hamilpid (Fin), 23.45; 4. M Meastio (H), 23.47; 5. L Stevent (EG), 23.54. Heat two: 1. H Dracheur (EG), 22.64; 2. Y Bykova (USSR), 23.36; 3. S Myers (SO), 23.56; 4. O Steps (Fr), 23.56. Heat timber 1, G Metchagina (USSR), 22.64; 5. S Guenther (EG), 22.65; 3. S Knoll (WG), 22.67; 4. J Stouts (GS), 23.24; 5, Ficher (Fr) 23.36; 5. L samotim (Port), 23.65; 7, R Tarolo (H), 23.71. British non-qualifier: S Short (fifth in heat two), 23.83.

1, S Woders (E8), 1:55.8; 2, C Wachtel (E6), 1:56.11; 3, L Munitdinova (USSR), 1:57.38; 4. E Van Largen (Neth), 1:57.57; 5, E Kovacs (Rom), 1:58.38; 6, T Chidu (Rom), 1:59.59; 7, L Gurina (USSR), 1:59.59; 8, D Edwards (GB), 2:02.82. 100 metres hurdles

Heats
First four in each heat and overall four
fastest losers qualify for sami-finals
QUALIFIERS: Heat one: 1, N Grigorieva
(USSR), 12.81sec; 2, G Zagorcheva (Bd.),
12.82; 3, K Patzwahi (GB.), 12.97; 4, G
Liope (WG), 13.01; 5, L-A Skeene (GB.),
13.07; 8, A Propureau (Fr), 13.18; 7, M J
Merdomingo (Sp), 13.41; Heat bec: 1, M
Ewanie-Epee (Fr), 12.72; 2, L
Nerozhilenko (USSR), 12.78; 3, C
Oschkenet (EG), 12.77; 4, K Morley (EG),
13.21; Heat three: 1, G Sebert (EG),
12.74; 2, L Yurkova (USSR), 12.77; 3, C
Hurtin (Fr), 13.23; 4, P Patoudou (Gr),
13.38; 5, B Bukovec (Yug), 13.46, British
heat three).

Heats
First three in each heat and overall four issuest losers quality for semi-finals QUALIFIERS: Heat one: 1, 14 Western (Swe), 55.61; 2, G. Ant, (MG), 55.74; 3, C. Perez (Sp.), 55.82; 4, I Trojer (In, 56.02; 5, A Suurnakhi (Fin), 56.76; Heat two: 1, A Protti (Switz), 55.37; 2, S. Gunnell (GIS), 56.98; 3, N Vorontova (USSR), 58.40; 4, G. Tromp (Nestr), 56.5; Heat three 1, M Ponomeryova (USSR), 55.99; 2, P. Kurg (SG), 56.76; 3, N Carotassu (Fion), 56.77; 4, J. Parker (GIS), 58.84; Heat four; 1, T. Lodovskoya (USSR), 55.02; 2, T Hejander-Kussisso (Fin) S6.80; 3, S. Rieger (WS) 66.96.

T MINIO 1. I Wykodda (EG), 68.46 metres; 2, 0 Burtová (USSR), 68.72; 3, M. Natimann (EG), 66.66; 4, 6 Reinsch (EG), 66.08; 5, 1 Justichanko (USSR), 65 16, 8, 2 Veneral (USSR), 63, 96; 7, U Kreuzel (WG), 63.28, 6, D Galor (WG), 62.06; 9, A Matriess (It, 58.36; 10, T Krinstow (Bu), 56.30; 11, M-P Getchol (Bel), 54.42.

tor final CMALMHERS: Pool At 1, B Graune (WG), 64.18 motres; 2, S Renk (EG, 63.36; 3, P Fellee (EG), 63.22; 4, K Harrel (Plan), 61.80; 5, F Titlee (Rom), 50.969; 6, N Shikotenno (USSR), 59.92; 7, A Veroull (Gr), 59.36; 8, A Selensius (But), 53.72. Pool Bt 1, T Little (Pm), 62.62; 2, T Sancterson (GB), 60.88; 3, 1 Thyssen (WG), 60.02; 4, K Forkel (EG), 59.28; Bartiels non-qualifier: A Liverton (math in heat one), 55.44.

10 kilometres walk

Final
1. A-R Sidotti (it). 44:00min; 2. O Kardapohseva (USSR), 44:06; 3, I Salvador (t), 44:38; 4, T Kovelenko (USSR), 45:03; 5, Esseyati (Fin), 45:10; 6, B Anders (EG), 45:16; 7, M-R Sobreno (Sp), 45:42; 8, M Gazmarsson (Swe), 45:42; 9, M Rozsa (Hun), 45:54; 10, L Langlord (GB), 48:33; 11, E Cano (Sp), 46:43; 12, C Pagari (t), 46:55. Stribe placing; 15, E Sworowski (GB), 47:37.

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Today's programme
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Television coverage BBC 1: 22.00-23.00; BBC 2: 10.00-10.40, 16.00-20.30; ITV: 22.35-23.35; Eurosport: 09.00-11.00, 15.00-17.30, 18.00-20.00.

Rovers newcomer BRENDON Tuuta, the New Zealand rugby league inter-national forward, is to play his first match for Featherstone Rovers in the Yorkshire Cup tie against Hull Kingston Rovers at Post Office Road on Sunday, Tuuta arrived from Australia on Tuesday after completing his Sydney league season Western Suburbs,

Full back on loan HUDDERSFIELD Town have signed Tony Kenworthy, a full back on a month's loan from Mansfield. Kenworthy was for-merly with Sheffield United.

it is in partnership with Ku- your mania back.

YACHTING More start

troubles for Squibs

By a CORRESPONDENT BRISK southerly winds caused problems at the starts yesterday

problems at the starts yesterday as the fifth day of the Brent Walker Burnham Week provided more drama.

Unusually there were two general recalls. With three to date the Squibs recall is virtually a fixture this year but unexpectedly, the Sonata class also jumped the gnn. Forty five Squibs huddled on the windward shore were trying to steal the breeze but in the cluster many encroached over the line NOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Test-estire 1449 dec (D Harriey 4-51) and 240-7 many encroached over the line before the starting gun.
Giles Cole, in Nicky, took the bonours by a minute and he leads the class with three wins. In Class I, Robert Stewart's yacht, Blush, became the fourth winter in the class after his

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Fution 69) v Notinghamshire.

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CUP MATCHES: Glascoanterahire semi-fiset:
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Boole 148, Seeth Lancashire Langue finet
Passey Fragmon 161-6, Heaton Mersey
Visage 52 (J Crane 6-20), Cheshire Building
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Adortambe 182-6, Leyland Mostors 128. winner in the class after his corrected time victory over Sidewinder and Shady Lady 4.

The three leading yachts in Class II scooped the first three places. Figure of Burgham tight. places. Fiona of Burnham tight-ened her hold on the class lead by three seconds from Chasseur II and Erotic Bear. In the Robber 1 designer class, Stuart Redman, in Daylight Robbery, and Brian Hinkins, with Randy Robber, have shared the class spoils this

have shared the class spoils this week and yesterday's race was a nine second triumph for Hinkins.

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Barnsley 1; York 6, Weatham 1.

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McKean cruises to triumph

From David Powell ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN'S march towards a record number of gold medals at the European championships gathered pace yesterday when Tom McKean and Kriss the third day.

Both gave commanding performances. McKean in the 800 metres and Akabusi in the 400 metres hurdles, breaking the British record.

And there was a bonus. David Sharpe ran the race of his life to take second place in the 800 metres, but a repeat of the 1986 European championship 1-2-3 from Sebastian Coe, McKean and Steve Cram never looked on, Matthew Yates was always struggling and finished last

Mckean had to win this one. He had failed too many times in leading championships to be allowed any more blemishes. He had won the European indoor championship in February, but that was an imitation of the real thing: now McKean has started a collection of

His record has been an enigma: three European Cup victories and a World Cup win but, in the ones that mattered. he had failed on three successive occasions. At the 1987 world championships he stumbled and finished last; in the 1988 Olympics he was disqualified in the semi-finals; at the Commonwealth Games in January, he was seventh.

His back-up team included a physiotherapist, a physiologist and a dietician but, as one observer in Auckland re-marked: "What's the point of knowing his precise blood-lactate level if he always runs like a prune?"

McKean, aged 26, was drawn in lane eight, with his team colleagues immediately inside him. Yates in seven and Sharpe in six. By 200 metres the Scot was in front with Sharpe and the Yugoslav, Slobodan Popovic, at his heels. But McKean, so often accused of inviting trouble. made sure he did not get into any this time.

At the bell, which McKean reached in 51.31sec, there was daylight between the Scot and his pursuers. With 250 metres to go, the challenge came: first Popovic, and then the Italian,



Akabusi produced marvellous not be budged and, as he front-running performances to stepped on the power, the gold win both men's track finals on medal looked his long before the line.

Some way out McKean glanced high to his left at the video screen to see what was happening behind: he would have seen Sharpe, who had looked run-out at the crown of the bend, come with a second surge. The former world junior champion, whose development has been disrupted by injury, squeezed inside Viali and Popovic to take second ahead of the fast

finishing Pole, Piotr Piekarski, McKean, who recorded 1min 44.76sec, said: "In the first half of the race I wasn't sure how it was going to finish. In the second half I knew the gold would be mine. I ran an excellent race and con-centrated well."

Sharpe, who clocked 1:45.59, said: "I knew I would win a medal, although I didn't know which one. I ran the best I could, and could not have hoped for better. Tom is a better athlete than me."

Like McKean, Akabusi was soon in front. By the fourth of the ten flights, his lead was clear and, as he came off the final bend, the gap was so great that one feared he may have gone too fast. But Akabusi held his form and broke the oldest track record in the book. His 47.92sec beat the 48.12sec recorded by David Hemery in the 1968 Mexico Olympics, and which had stood since then.

Akabusi rises to the bigoccasions as well as he rises over the hurdles. Last summer he won the European Cup at Gateshead and in January took the Commonwealth title in Auckland.

It is extraordinary to think that Akabusi was for many years, in his early twenties, running 48 seconds for 400

meteres flat.
I never expected to go under 48 seconds." Akabusi said. "It is amazing what I have done in such a short space of time. When I saw the clock I would not believe it. I could not help myself - I just went loopy."



Through the barrier: Akabusi winning the European 400 metres hurdles in Split - and breaking an old recard

Elliott and Cram are drawn together

Peter Ellion have been drawn European championship 1,500 metres here and will appear today on a track to-gether for the first time since the Seoul Olympic final two years ago (David Powell

While Neil Horsfield, Britfaces a relatively easy heat, the

SPLIT - Steve Cram and record-holder and Commonwealth champion line up with in the same heat for the three men who would expect to challenge for the title on Saturday.

"It's certainly a tough one, but its bound to make it interesting." Cram said after only the sixth time this year hearing that he and Elliott after Achilles tendon and calf would be in the first heat and that Hauke Fuhlbrugge, of ain's third representative. East Germany, José-Luis Gonzalez, the fifth fastest Gonzalez, of Spain, and

would be joining them. "I would rather not have met Steve at this stage," Elliott said. "I was not expecting to meet him until Saturday's

Cram, who will be racing for injuries, is not the only one trying to re-establish himself. miler in history, ran 3min signal his return from injury. Tessa Sanderson is back in

the competition arena after few appearances this season. The Commonwealth and former Olympic champion qualified for today's final with a throw of 60.66 metres, but it would be remarkable if she were to keep the title in Britain. Sanderson's best this year is 65.02 metres, but she will need nearer to 70 metres if

Davis's dissent spoils another Gooch century

By RICHARD STREETON

first-innings wickets in hand. are 372 runs behind Essex AN UGLY case of dissent by Winston Davis, the West In-

dian fast bowler, against an umpiring decision sparked astonishing scenes here yestenday. Davis, who now faces disciplinary action, lost control after having a leg-before appeal against Gooch turned down from the fifth ball of the match and had to be calmed down by Allan Lamb, his

Gooch remained unperturbed by the incident and went on to continue his remarkable heavy scoring this season with a magnificent 174, his seventeenth hundred in all matches this summer. Gooch was out in the final over before tea, two balls after he had taken Essex to 300 and secured maximum betting points for his team.

Essex, one point behind Middlesex, the championship leaders before the start, had was the best possible start for county. Essex in a match in which they make up the game in hand they hold over the leaders.

There was no let-up to the dramatic happenings. Gooch was the first of five wickets to fall unexpectedly in ten overs as Essex tried to increase their advantage. It was left to Hussain and Foster to provide the quick runs Essex sought. They added 77 together before Essex declared. Northamptonshire lost Felton to a catch at short-leg before the end. Gooch did not make an

error as he completed his eleventh first-class hundred this season and took his aggregate to 2,488, only 12 short of the 2,500 that brings him and his club a lucrative sponsorship award. Gooch hit a six and 31 fours, mostly with perfectly-timed drives on both sides of the wiches, as he faced 225 balls, before he gave Williams a return catch from a leading edge. Stephenson previously was bowled driving.

Yet nothing that happened on the field later could erase

NORTHAMPTON (first day passioned appeal as the ball of three; Essex won toss): cannoned into Gooch's pade on the cannoned into Gooch's pade and clearly argued with Kevin Lyons, the umpire, when it was rejected.

Lyons straightaway ges tured fiercely to Lamb at first slip, and the Northampton-Davis and spoke to him in the middle of the pitch with his arm around the bowler. When Davis eventually returned to his mark, there was another hold-up with the bowler scening to have difficulty in find. ing the resolve to resume

By the time the over was completed, it had lasted nearly six minutes. Lyons threw Davis's sweater at him with more vigour than he would normally have done and Lamb had a further talk with the bowler before he moved off to

long leg.
Those involved would not comment later, but it was understood that Gooch got the thinnest of edges and snicked the ball onto his pads. The umpires are certain to menlost only one wicket earlier, Gooch and Stephenson hav-ing launched the innings with a stand of 227 in 56 overs. It

Curtly Ambrose received a warning after bowling three beamers during the chan shire in May, and David Cape was "strongly censured" after he swore and made a gesting after catching Gower in the NatWest Trophy semi-final with Hampshire a formight

BOWLING: Davis 24-1-76-2: Ro

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proper behaviour during the distance politic Northern proper is a first over. He made an im-Nice-guy Akabusi's record gold Agyepong crashes Mansell and Ferrari in out of race again victors in any event have been To have changed events, as which an athlete, without self-so joyously pleased, as op- he did in 1987, from being a consciousness, has commu-

From David MILLER

WHEN David Hemery won his gold medal in Mexico City 22 years ago, in the process setting a world record for the 400 metres hurdles, so thin was Britain's athletic success that Hemery's achievement, to the tune of David Coleman's frenzied commentary. became within a week as familiar as the sound of Big

The passing of Hemery's mark, until yesterday still the UK record, was an historic moment. Kriss Akabusi's victory here was memorable not just for the statistics - with his time of 47.92sec making him the ninth fastest ever - but for his spontaneous rapture. Few

posed to relieved, since Alan competent flat 400 man to Pascoe won the hurdles in being a hurdler, is compar-Christchurch in 1974.

so triumphant is the state of he has now earned. This British athletics, that Akabusi's success, both personal best in Europe and beaten and technical, may have everyone of account in the tended to fade into the shadow of deeds by athletes more famous than he. But that would be a shame, for there is no nicer man on the track.

raised his arms with the yet another improvement in a set off on his lap of honour. three-year hurdling career that has been quite startling. He i can seldom remember sank to his knees in disbelief. such a happy moment in

hristchurch in 1974. atively rare and seldom Yet by the end of this week. achieved with the distinction season he had risen above the

world bar Danny Harris and

Kevin Young.

In Zurich recently he ran the fastest time since Hemery and now he has run faster. As he crossed the line, he Such was his disbelief down on the track, as the big section normal degree of elation. Sud- of British supporters cheered denly he realised that he had him to the echo, that he did beaten Hemery's time, with not know at first which way to

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nicated his satisfaction to an appreciative audience.

Akabusi said afterwards that, though he had been favourite, he had always been worried about the ability of the two Swedes, who, in the event, were pursuing him down the final straight. Asked if he could go faster still, he said: "I would hope so, but who knows? I was going as fast as I could now."

Lomas to lead

England's top women table tennis players will play a threematch series against Sweden next month. Lisa Lomas, the new England No. 1, will lead the squad of six from which the

JACKIE Agyepong wept after jumper, who had an outside crashing out of the European chance for a medal, also had a Championships in Split yesterday. The 21-year-old Lon-doner went spinning out of her 22-year-old British record this heat of the 100 metres hurdles summer with a leap of 8.15 at the eighth barrier after metres, could manage no hitting two earlier ones.

It was the latest chapter of misfortune for Agyepong, who fell at the European Junior Championships in 1987, was disqualified in the World Juniors the following year and was overlooked, controversially, for the Commonwealth Games team earlier this year. Her coach, John Isaacs, said: "I feared the worst when she went off like a bullet. She wasn't in control of the race."

day to forget. Faulkner, who more than 7.48 and failed to qualify for the final He blamed a recurrence of an old foot injury and a demanding

season for the failure. Tessa Sanderson, the Commonwealth and former Olympic champion, who has been involved in a pay dispute with the British Board all summer, qualified for the javelin final with a throw of 60.66 metres. But she dismissed chances of another Stewart Faulkner, the long gold medal.

display of solidarity NIGEL Mansell and the Grand Prix on Sunday after

Ferrari Formula One team put only 19 laps. on a united front yesterday to dismiss stories of a split before the end of the world championship (a Special Correstogether "with new enthusiasm" for the rest of the season and that the driver would then be released from any team commitment.

Mansell met the team manager, Chesare Fiorio at Ferrari's headquarters in Maranello amid rumours of a serious rift. Some reports suggested Mansell might be disci-plined following his decision to retire from the Belgian

Mansell, too, had grounds for complaint. He had an agreement whereby he would be the team's senior driver pondent writes). In a joint next year, yet that clearly statement. Mansell and became impossible once Ferrari said they would work Ferrari negotiated a new contract with Alain Prost. The statement said they had

a "long and frank discussion" "The views of Scuderia Ferrari were confirmed along

with Nigel Mansell's pro-Mansell obtained permission to be left free as from now to take a decision about his future in next year's Formula One championship."

Bates not ready for **Davis Cup**

NEW YORK - Jeremy Bates game before the Davis Cup tennis tie against France at Queen's Club, London (Andrew Longmore writes). Britain's No. I put in a lacklustre performance in the first round of the US Open yesterday, losing to Veli Paloheimo, of Finland, 6-3, 7-5, 6-4.

"All I can think about is my serve at the moment." Bates said. "It's gone completely. I need to find something consistent and quickly because I am not in a good state going into the Davis Cup."

The sight of the thick-set Paloheimo, ranked 30 places above Bates at No. 71, should at least have stirred distant memories. Bates beat Paloheimo in the Davis Cup in 1987 and 1988, but Paloheimo has improved considerably since then while Bates seems to have lost all traces of form and motivation. "I'm just going through the motions," he admitted.

Monique Javer. Britain's other No. 1, followed the lead of Clare Wood, who beat fellow qualifier Renata haps by the sight of Jo Durie and Sarah Loosemore ranked well above her on the computer, beat Jennifer Santrock

Higher standards envisaged at slimmer Olympic Games

(AP) — By the turn of the century it could be tougher, much tougher, to be an Olymous measures here," Smirnov approved.

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In 1988, in Seoul, 9.417 ous measures here," Smirnov athletes competed in 237 (IOC) next month to set strict guidelines for what sports and

that want to add events drop

10C president. what athletes get in. Suggestions include dras- aren't interesting to our youth agreed already to limit the tically raising admission standards, timiting the number of being practised by hundreds of Games in Barcelona to 10,000, athletes or rounds in individ- thousands of people around and to drop demonstration ual events and making sports the world," he said.

In separate interviews, nei-

outdated ones, according to ther Samaranch nor Smirnov 257 events in 25 medal sports. Vitaly Smirnov, an IOC mem- would disclose which sports ber from the Soviet Union were most likely to be dis-

Salt Lake's high hopes

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (AP) - A change in scheduling of the winter Olympics could fuel a trend toward holding the event in larger cities like Salt Lake, Prince Albert of Monaco, a member of the International Olympic Com-

The winter Games will have a higher profile when the winter and summer Games Baranski, 6-0, 6-0 in the first alternate from 1994 with the round. Javer, spurred on per- winter series in Albertville. France.The summer Games will be in 1996 in a city to be Albert said a larger city named next month.

During a short stopover this offers more possibilities for week in Salt Lake City, Prince the general public."

Albert said he wanted to "strongly emphasise" awarding the winter competition to larger cities. Salt Lake City is among the larger metropolitan areas to bid for the 1998

Salt Lake is larger than its rivals: Nagano, Japan; Ostersund, Sweden; Jaca, Spain; Aosta, Italy; and Sochi, in the Soviet Union. Traditionally, the winter Olympics have been held in smaller villages and towns, but Prince was "easier for the athletes and

LAUSANNE, Switzerland who ishead of the committee's pensed with if the cuts are

pic athlete. A panel studying said yesterday, adding that medal events, both records. The IOC decided then that Games will ask the Inter- some sports entirely, an atti- things were getting out of national Olympic Committee tude which is supported by control and told the pro-Juan Antonio Samaranch, the gramme commission to look for ways of slimming things We cannot keep sports that down. The committee has and exhibition sports after that. Barcelona's schedule has

> Smirnov said the plan was to freeze participation levels for 1996. He will ask the IOC's annual meeting in Tokyo next month to empower his commission to cut deeper, beginning in the year 2.000. "If they give the OK, then we go to work," he said. "Some things will be obvious that we will do. Others will take a lot of

> By raising admission standards. "and we are talking about really raising them. marginal athletes would be barred and the quality of competition kept high. Smirnov said.

The number of competitors also could be limited by using continental or regional championships as qualifiers. as was done already in some team sports, he suggested.

Brooking on ground authority

By JOHN GOODBODY

THE government yesterday named Trevor Brooking, the broadcaster and former England international, and Simon Inglis, the journalist and au-thor of books on the design of stadiums, as two of the six members of the Football Licensing Authority (FLA).

The authority, which will operate a licensing scheme at Football League grounds and advise the government on the introduction of all-seater stadiums, is to be chaired by Norman Jacobs, a retired solicitor and member of the Sports Council. The other four members

are: Albert Brannon, a retired HM Inspector of Fire Services for the Western Region; Keith Bridge, chief executive of Humberside county council 1978-83; Ronald Broome, Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset, 1983-89; and Margaret Law, a fire engineer with Arup Research and Development.

The government should fill at least one of the two places remaining with a representative of the Football Trust, which has been given £100 million by the Chancellor of the Exchequer to help in the rebuilding of stadiums and the upgrading of old facilities.

Charlton opts for minimum change

By PETER BALL

EVEN when a match offers an opportunity for experimentation. Jack Charlton prefers night. "He hasn't come opportunity for experimenta-tion, Jack Charlton prefers evolutionary change to revolution. Not surprisingly then, the Republic of Ireland football squad for next month's match with Morocco in Dublin is a familiar one, based firmly on the team which served the Republic so well in the World Cup.

in the squad will be Dennis Irwin, the new and expensive Manchester United full back, who many felt was unlucky not to make the World Cup squad after his excellent performances for Oldham Athletic last season. There is, the World Cup who need a however, no place for Irwin's game now," Charlton said. former Oldham colleague, Mike Milligan, who was recently signed by Everton for £1 million

Instead, Alan McLaughlin. the Swindon Town midfield player, who was a late inchsion in the World Cup squad, apparently stays ahead of Milligan in the pecking order. as does John Sheridan. Perhaps the most surprising name in the 19-strong party is that of Mark Kelly, the young Portsmouth winger, who has been recalled after making one brief

appearance over a year ago. We're short of a winger of that sort, and Mark Kelly

through as well as we had hoped but he is a very gifted boy and he came on for Portsmouth on Saturday and played very well for half an

Among the players left out by Charlton is Kevin Moran, the veteran Blackburn Rovers Changes have been kept to a centre half, aged 34, who had minimum. The only new face an unimpeachable World Cup. His absence suggests that David O'Leary, of Arsenal will get his chance.

> match, there were people who sat on their backsides during "As far as Kevin goes he's 34 going on 35 so there has got to be a change sometime but I would never write him off as far as we are concerned because he is such a good

competitor."

"I've called up what I

wanted and needed for this

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Korean to groom new champions

By RICHARD EATON

THE first foreigner to be employed by the Badminton Association of England in its 97-year history was announced yesterday. A Korean, Lee Jae Bok, is to be England coach.

The exact nature of Lee's duties will be revealed later. today, when the new England manager is also to be announced. However, among his tasks is almost certain to be 10 try to reverse the fortunes of a once-great and now declining national team, as well as to groom individual players to become potential All England champions. The latter, Lee acknowledges, may take quite some time.

His availability for the job ! an enormous slice of luck for the association, not merely because he is regarded as all excellent trainer who has been in demand all over Europe. only became a coach became his international career prematurely ended by a injury at the age of 22. each years ago. He later requested to come to this country to the develop his administrative abilities. For the last two-and a-half years, he has been conveniently located, in sits, at Milton Keynes.